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NO. E7-6911
FISK UNIV.

Clan Mende Nov 15/54

Geo. Whipple, 48 Beekman St. N.Y.

Dear Bro. Your's of Sept. 1st came a few days ago — There are letters referred to, which have not yet come to hand — "The wrath of the Lord be on first. My letter to Cong. Herald. I felt impelled to write it, from a sense of duty, to the cause — (my name is nothing) — I wrote plainly, because the case was so aggravated, as the letter shows — I did feel deeply anxious for its publication for the sake of setting the Readers of B's article to rights — but if its publication would have the effect you fear, I would say, by all means, not publish. How much disappointment, or what effect will follow its not being published I cannot say — I had written to many persons, & had referred numbers to the Herald, to that article. If it is not published, I could wish I had made no mention of it to others — but it has been done, I know you must do, just as your sound judgment shall dictate. I am not sorry I left it open for your criticism. I have full confidence in you. I know my bumps of prudence & good judgment are quite small & don't like to be thrown upon myself alone — I like counsellors — for "In a multitude of counsellors there is safety" — But when I am obliged to act alone, I act somehow, according to the best of my judgment. The letter & the Herald was read to Mr. More, who approved — It reaches, after it was sent. The Lord direct you. I leave it with you.

2nd, You say, "You ought to be a man of the largest charity, ready to pardon a multitude of offences in others" — My dear Brother, I can, & I think I do. Did you know all I know, I think you would say so too — But God make me a thousand times more so than I am" — I know that others have occasion to bear much, in me, (tho many charges, I wholly repudiate, as without the least foundation, but prejudice, or jealousy) — & I am willing, & will bear with much in others, & overlook a "multitude" of faults. I am not ignorant of my failing, often to attribute evil motives, where it afterwards turns out there were none, I may God help me, that I may "think no evil" —

3d, Mrs Thompson, "I hope you will not hastily come to the conclusion that she cannot labor in Africa" &c — I have not — for I do think she could live, in the high lands — say at Mt Taffan, or Velah — & be comfortable, & it is the thing I most ardently desire — that we may spend our days among, & for this people — But if she feels that she cannot live here, is not willing to come, or should not be able to come back — this is the case in which I suggest, that I ought to seek another field. Should her health become again firm, & you can get her to feel it her duty to try Africa once more, I will thank you, & rejoice, & praise the Lord —

But I have written, urged, till I can do it no more, at present — (this for her health, has rendered any urging needless — & tho's she has spared me, she should need no urging, if she could only again have health — her heart to love) I am now waiting & hear what the Lord will speak, & to learn his will, in the indications of his Providence. May he lead me aright

"If the conclusion is reached that Mrs J cannot go there, I do not see that you can speedily leave there" &c — Of course not, dear Bro., till help shall arrive to man, & enlarge the mission. Did I leave, at first, for 2 years, when I came only expecting to be here only a few months? And I should have stood by, till I fell also, if help had not arrived.

And in our present enlarged state, I cannot leave as well as then, for there is much more to do — & do more. Never think that of your Convert Miss J, that he will desert, in straits. Then is the time, he sticks tight.

But should help come, & acclimate safely, & all our stations be well manned — & should it be so that Martha cannot come, then, my feeling is, that it will clearly be my duty (if life is spared) to return & seek another field. You do not know, George, what a dying life, our long separation, causes my Wife, to live. You cannot, of course, know the deep trials of her soul, as I know them. She has been weakly, nervous, prostrated, hysterical, & our separation affects her fearfully. For 2 years & years, she has been crying, sighing, & pleading for a home — & still says, that she feels that nothing but the quietness, of a home will ever restore to her even comfortable health.

And so long have these sounds rung in my ears, by day & night, sailing, riding, in bed, walking, in letters, that I begin to feel, that if our Father will so lead my steps, I must have regard to her feelings, somewhat. She asks, "Can it be that God orders that in order to your usefulness, I should live a dying life, doing nothing, a burden to myself, & others"? (the idea) — I have never doubted, a moment, that God called me to Africa & that, thus far, He has led me — & I desire that He only, will lead me still, & I will follow & rejoice in whatever He gives.

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We are in tolerable health — have abundant labors & many trials — but these are to be expected —

So far as unity & harmony are concerned, be assured there shall be nothing on my part to prevent —

And may the Lord grant it —

Our School is flourishing — but O h! it does need exceedingly more advanced & efficient teachers — It need American energy imparted to it as no native teacher will do —

The work of God advances. Many of the children are growing in grace & knowledge —

Some cases of church discipline — can't give particulars now —

Bricks in building, crushed by an excess of labor —

The Lord provide, as will, he gloriously —

Remember me to all —

Your afft Bro

Geo Thompson

Mr Thompson to
Geo Thompson
Feb 11/55.

Good Hope -
Nov. 17. 1854 -

Rev. G. Whipple. Dear Sir - Br Barton who has gone to Cretown to transact the necessary business of the Mission, being better acquainted there, than I, writes me, he has drawn all the letter of credit - you so recently sent us - I would therefore ask of you, if it would not be well to send another immediately, or else orders, or permissions to give drafts or orders on you, or on some house in N.S. - as such can be used here very well because of the increased trade in that direction -

Br Brooks is trying hard to get a house - & I shall go to him again - as soon as Providence will allow - Expecting Barton back soon - Rutters Alcohol was in a leaky, rusty can and considerable has wasted - Yours. &c T. G. Cole

I slip this in to the envelope
of G. T. letter - without permit
because it is left as I came.

J. G. Cole
Feb 16/54
Rec Feb 16/55

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Cambridge Nov 18th 1884

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Mr O C Jeffs

Bot of W O Stewart

1 doz	plain Medium Forks	$5,00
1/3 dd	Plated Darts	,67
1 "	silver mustard	,50
1 —	" Butter Knife	2,00
1 —	" Sugar	1,25
		$9,37

Received Payment

W O Stewart

Susan Mooney
Cleveland, O.
Nov. 20/04

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Cleveland Nov. 20th

Bro. Whipple

Sir

Yours of the 7th inst being detained at Willoughby P. O. has just reached me

I had thought that the field of labour I had so long desired had been sought and filled by worthier laborers, for the present as not hearing from you I felt that the God had answered prayer in his own way and left me to help at home, still my heart still

goes out as strongly as ever
to Africa I hope the
day is not distant when
heart and hands may
cooperate in the salvation
of her downtrodden children.
But O, the responsibility
of a faithful servant! Surely
'tis more to live in the
performance of duty than
to give up all for commencing
it. But our God has said
trust in me, With such
help I shall be ready
when called upon by the
~~committee~~ committee,

In much haste
Yours
Susan Worley

Ans'd Dec 2. & the copy
sent to Cleveland.

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Plymouth Nov 20th /54.

Rev George Whipple

Dear Brother in Christ.

I received your last of Oct 29th about twelve days since. The package of letters from Africa I have not received, & fear they are lost.

I found Mrs Buxton here on my return from Ohio, and enjoyed a very pleasant visit of several days. Meantime she received letters from her Husband, expecting & requesting her return to Africa. & accordingly left here on last Monday for Burlington intending to spend a few days with friends & proceed to New York. Is probably on her way by this time

Since my return from Ohio my health is somewhat impaired, and little Moses is not as well. The journey was quite fatiguing, and we shall hope to feel better again after enjoying the rest and quiet of home.

I found the little one in more feeble health than I anticipated, but hope he will yet recruit.

I expended during my journey, and in preparations the whole of the draft which you sent me viz $100. dollars. Aunt Terrel went with me to assist and be company for me, & I paid her passage one way.

Of my Husbands peculiar characteristics of course I am not ignorant, nor am I ignorant of his virtues. I have often labored with him, and will continue to do so in reference to those peculiar frailties, which I fear may tend to hinder the Gospel of Christ.

I thank you kindly for mentioning them.

I presume he would be very willing to occupy a less responsible station, and think considering all the circumstances that it would be better for the Mission. I trust our Heavenly Father will order all things as will be for His glory. I cannot express all I feel. Pray for me that I may have

grace to endure patiently.

Gones for a dying World.

Martha Thompson

Mrs M. Thompson
Fairmount
Mass
March 20/54

Plymouth Ill
Mar 22

Paid 3

Rev George Whipple,
48 Beekman Street
N Y

Rev. T. Bascom
Galesburg, O
Nov 21/54
A. S. J.
Ex. Com.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-6917
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Galesburg Nov 21. 1854

Rev Geo. Whipple, Cor. Sec. &c

Dear Brother,

Your note of the 16th inst is before me. The young lady to whom you refer, I presume is Miss Sarah G. McIntosh. She is a member of the Senior class in our Female department, and will graduate next Jan. I have heard her say that she wouldn't be glad to go on a Mission to Africa, and I think she would be worth her weight in gold, to any Mission. She is a very successful Teacher, and

and one of the most con-
scientious, devoted, self
sacrificing young wo-
men, with whom I have
ever been acquainted.
My fear is that she will
labor so unsparingly
that she will fall an
early victim to her
zeal & faithfulness,
in a sickly clime.
She is tall & naturally
strong, but her studies
& her exertions to sus-
tain herself while fitting
for usefulness, have
rendered her rather
thin & spare, but I
do not know that her
constitution is impaired.
Her age, I judge is not

over twenty five, not much below that point. She will be happy to hear from you, & will probably be ready to enter on her work soon after she graduates, if you need of her.

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Please say to Bro. Jocelyn, that I received his note from Chicago, but too late to answer it, before his return. I have not heard the result of his visit. Was the arrangement consummated, which was proposed last Spring? I am glad to hear of the arrangement for Chio.

Yours truly F. Bascom

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Waterbury Nov 27th 1854

Mr Whipple

Dear Sir

We arrived here on Saturday and found our friends well I now expect to go to Plainville to day and from there to Glastenbury and if possible I should like to hear from you and have you if you please send me some money directed to Glas-tenbury if you can do so by Thursday if you cannot send to have me get it until Saturday please direct to Plain-ville unless you wish me not to do so I will come to N York next week fore part of the week please write me about the company and whe-ther they have arrived in N York

If you can send me twenty dollars I can get some things and make while here

Yours truly

E. D. Burton

Mrs. E. D. Burton
~~Hartford~~ No 27/62
Waterbury Conn

Ey. Cyrus.

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Mr. Whipple Franklin.
No 28/52
Dec 11/52
Received

Saratoga Nov. 28th 1852

Mr. Whipple-

Dear friend-

I received letter from Prof. Morgan last evening saying that the ship may sail this week. He sent me a letter of introduction to his cousin Mason, in N. Y. He says she will be happy to have me come and stay with her till the ship sails, and she will take me around, to some of the benevolent institutions I think I should be pleased to do so if you shall think it best. Dr. has given me some good instructions which will be a great benifit to me if the Lord spares my life in Africa. He says he expects that I shall live many years there, The Lord grant it or it will be for his glory, and the

good of the dear heathen. Not my will but the Lords be done. Mr & Mrs Dedorthe wishes to have me remain with them, if it is best that I should.

They have been exceedingly kind to me and done every thing that has bee necessary for my comfort. How much I have to thank the Lord for. I shall remain here till I hear from you.

Mrs Bedorthe wishes me to say to you that she should like to have you give Mr Olds and Mr Richardson and their families, come and make ~~the~~ her visit. She should write them an invitation herself if she knew where to write to them.

Yours in behalf of
the perishing heathen.
Jane A. Winters.

I have ~~two~~ just four
dollars to take me to N. Y.
and cannot pay the postage.

Mrs E. D. P. Dutton
Glastonbury Ct.
Dec 1, 1854

$30.00 A.H.E.
20.00 Daugh Jaggar
20.00 J.L. Horton
20.00 Amt Rly

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Lee Glastenbury Dec 1st 1854

Mr Whipple

Dear Sir

Your letter of the 28th of Nov was received this morning I am sorry to learn that there is no prospect of sailing soon In telling you about my expenses I ought to have been more particular Fathers account with the Evangelist we did not know what was but he gave me thirty dollars supposing this would something more than cover the account but wished me to pay it and have the paper stopped unless he gave farther orders besides this which Father gave me for this purpose I borrowed twenty dollars of my Brother and twenty dollars of Mr Parsons you may perhaps think this was more than I needed but I needed some things for my own and Nancy's comfort in traveling bringing her with me made me more expense I had hoped to leave her at the west but circumstances which I could neither foresee or

present seemed to make it necessary and best to bring her to Waterbury

I do not wish to be extravagant or do wrong about these matters and I will try not to be so I wish you would speak your mind about these things and reprove me if you think I need it I would be no expense to the society if I had means of my own and could avoid it – I have until the year past always looked to my Father or Husband for a supply for my wants, and from inexperience I feel I am a poor hand in the management of financial affairs I have two dollars left of the money I had when I left home this will not be sufficient to bear my expenses to New Preston I will hope to hear from you again at Plainville by Tuesday next when I hope you may be able to send me some money My reason for writing to you for so much was that I might be able to get a few things which I wish to make before I start for Africa it is painful to me to feel obliged to ask you for so much but my circumstances are peculiar I feel that I have done

nothing to deserve it but I hope to have grace and strength to do with my might whatever God see fit to give me to do

My Nancy has a home and is going to school the Cousin who had her before has taken her to keep and Educate truly the Lord has been good to me

forgive anything that may be wrong in this and believe me

Truly yours

E S Burton

P S The money which I borrowed of Mr Parsons and my Brother I should like to have sent to them in the course of a week from this time if possible

Douglass Sawyer is my Brothers name and T. L. Parsons the man who called on you last summer is merchant at Burlington –

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Geo. Whipple — Dec 2/54

All well — & driven almost to distraction with multiplied cares & labors —

The Lord is answering us — Pray for us — Write to Wife, help her as she needs — if she is willing & come to Asia, advise with her & may the Lord direct as will be for His glory —

Say to L. Toppan, I will, Deo volente, send him my account, with Wm. Harned, as Bro H. has sent it to me, since I came out last

Please publish in Missionary that those who have books, taken from Harned, may send in the bill to L. Toppan —

In great haste,

Your unworthy Bro George

George Whipple

48 Beekman St

New York

U S A

By first

A. Hawthorne

Dec 9/34

Dec Feb 16/55

580 Broadway Albany 4th Dec 1834

Rev Geo. Whipple Cor. Sec.
A. M. A. 48 Beekman St N.Y.

A. M. A. ARCHIVE
NO F1-69A1
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My Dear Brother

Thinking that a report of my success at Troy might be of service or rather of interest to you I conclude to give you a few words at once. I arrived at Troy about ½ past 8 A.M. Sat Morn. and after breakfast at the American I went in search of Rev Mr Booth, Dr Beman's Assistant who was out of town introduced myself and made known my business and wishes. He said they were out and out A.B.C.F.M. but if I chose to speak at their Monthly Concert I could do so, and after their Collection he would give an opportunity for any to contribute to our funds that would do so. This I accepted as a matter of course. At his suggestion I called upon the deacon & leading men in the Park Presby. Church, who were wanting a supply for the Sabbath. Of them I got the prin.

elegy of presenting our cause in the Church in the A.M., with the understanding that they could not take up a collection for us. They said they would pay my expenses, but could say no more. On the whole I thought that they would like to give something after hearing, so I hesitated not to tell them I would speak. I put up with bro P. P. Stewart, as usual. At the close of my remarks in the morning I said to them that if any of them would like to help us I should feel cheered. After which the deacon came to me and said they wanted to take a collection for us, which they did and it amounted to about $20. This was the more cheering to me from the fact that it is a new "Old School enterprise", and this is the first collection that they have ever taken up for any purpose. John Kerr Esq. remarked after the meeting to me that they took a collection because they all felt that they wanted to give & thought that they should do injustice to their feelings if they did not in this way relieve themselves. In the P.M. I spoke to the Park S.S. School. In the evening I addressed Dr Beaman's people, but

few were out, but those who were there seemed interested and came forward and gave about $10. Thus you see that I was greatly cheered by both, plenty of good wishes & prayers for our success and also by some of the needful to sustain us in our money matters. Praise the Lord. The Capt. of the Steam Boat kindly gave me my passage to Troy. So that my traveling expenses were nothing from Cambridge to N.Y. & back. Wife and I think to visit here with Dr Paine & lady until tomorrow Eve & then go up to Saratoga Springs & spend two or three days with Dr. Bedortha. I forgot to say to you that while I was at Oberlin Mrs Laura G. B. Hills, gave me $10. which you will remember she wrote to me about while at the Rooms. She tells me that this with other former donations makes her $30. or more for which she wishes you to forward her a certificate of Life Membership. If you should not be able to send it soon by Mrs. Nahan or some one going out to O you had better send it by Mail. I think we shall need another stove to take with us to Africa. And I think we should do well to take one of Stewart's. He tells me that they will put one in for us at whole sale

by himself

if we wish it. The stone will be $20.
without Trimmings. With these it will come
at from $25. to $30. He would like to put it up
himself so as to see that it is all of the most perfect
workmanship. If you think well of this I would
suggest that you order it of P. P. Stewart immediately
& he will send it to their house in New York when
we can get it when we wish. I some expect to go to
East Bennington Vermont next Sabbath
and perhaps some other places in that region if
permitted. I have written to Amsterdam My
that I will go ~~to Amsterdam~~ there next Thur-
day eve if they wish. The Lord direct you
and us. Affectionately

Your brother in Christ

Jas Cutler Ladd

Rev. J. C. Ladd
Albany, N. Y.
Dec. 4/54

Ans
H. ne 3rd hope.

A. M. E. ARCHIVES
NO. A6922
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Hair Mende Dec 5 1854

Dear Bro L Tappan,

The news of Bro Harriet's death came upon us very suddenly – I had heard from him of the sickness of his family – but he was hoping to escape – "The Lord giveth and taketh away" but "Heaven & Earth & Hell proclaim, God sitteth on the throne, And doeth all things well"

His dear afflicted family! May the Lord comfort & sanctify them – & provide for them, as they need.

As his death seems to have been sudden, I know not how his accounts are off – but as he has sent me a definite account of how he stood up to Aug 7/54, I will send it to you – as doubtless it will help you in settling my accounts with the family. I sent a letter to them a few days ago, saying that I would send Bro H's account to you, as he gave it to me –

There were nearly $400 of my funds in his hands when he wrote me last Aug –

He writes to me, March 16/54 "My Jasper, I bought for $3,750.00 – All the interest I have in that, & in the world besides, is solemnly pledged as your security for the payment of what I owe you, as well as what I may hereafter receive from you" –

March 17/54 he writes "The balance now due you is $305.72 Aug 6/54, the last I have rec'd, he says he had rec'd from Philo Carpenter of Chicago Ills $61.57, which closed up his account for 300 Books – making in all due me $367.29 up to his last date – Aug 6/54 If any rec'd since I know not,

He wrote to me Dec 24/53, wishing to know if he might retain in his hands, the money he had collected, & should collect, for me, for a season, to help him in paying for his farm. It is getting started — saying he would charge me no commission, & would pay me 7 per cent — "refund the principal, within one year, or at any time, if I required it sooner" — He added, "All that I have of earthly possessions, with my honor, are pledged for your security" —

I wrote, granting his request — telling him he could retain the monies collected, as he desired —

He paid up the Interest, to about the time he wrote last, & sent it to my Wife, which she received.

Thus stands my account with him, as he has sent it me — & I have no other means of knowing it — as I depended entirely on his faithfulness —

He has given me all the particulars — as late as he wrote — but it does not seem necessary to copy them, as I suppose the same are on his Books —

Should the family pay it — you will please put it with my other moneys, & send you Note to my Father, for the same, as before —

My Father wrote to ask me, whether you & Br Whipple did not expect to keep the interest paid up on your notes — I shall write to him that you need not pay it — but let it lie in your own hands, unless, specially needed by my Wife or Child —

The account of the Books, for which Barnard was acting as Agent, I give you over leaf, as he has sent me.

These Books were sent by him, according to my order, while I was lecturing around in W.S. - all - before I came out to Ohio, with my Wife -

To P. Carpenter, Chicago Ills - 200
A H Starr, Elgin Ills - 100
A Wak, Hartford - Ct 144 -

} All paid for, & settled in the account given in - All paid for settled

J E Burr, Princeton, Bureau Co Ills - 200, at 45 cts each - has paid (to Aug 6/54) $73.25 - leaving $16.75.

Amos Drefser - Farmington, Trumbull Co. Ohio 208 - at 45 cts - has paid (to Aug 6/54) $4.52 -

Ira Baker, Galesburg, Ills - 102 - had paid $13.00

A Turner Denmark, Iowa - 118 - had paid nothing -

J F Dolbear, Michigan - had a box, but died - 19 were sold & paid for - the rest were sent back to N.Y. & were included in the 830, in the Rooms, when Harned left. These, I believe were all, he sent out - of these, you see that Carpenter's, Starr & Wak's, are all settled. & there is no more to do with them - unless they have taken, since Aug 6/54 -

With Burr, & Drefser, there will be no difficulty - they will sell all - & pay when they sell - (or need not return them away -

Those at Galesburg, & Denmark - they write to Harned that they could not sell all, & wished to know what to do with them - Harned suggested that they be sent to the Depository of the A R. T. & B Society at Cincinnati - to which I assented - suggesting at the same time, that he write to J E Burr, & request him to go & get, & sell them - but whether my letter reached Br Harned, before he died, is doubtful - If he did not get it - & did not write it, it might be well, to request Baker & Turner, to box well, & send to the Br. Book establishment -

Such is the account between Hamed & I, as he has sent it to me, up to Aug 6/54 — I hope that the Galesburg & Denmark Books may give you no trouble — rather than be troubled, a long palaver about them, let them all go.

Returns for the Books, sent out, while I was home last, will be sent either to H B Knight, or your name — I left the account of all, with Knight, when I was home.

I am sorry to learn that the A S Depository is to be given up — that H B Knight has left — but trust you will be directed to what which is best —

I again say, I feel that the circulation of my Book will most effectually help our cause, in funds, & Missionaries — Bro P. Carpenter, wrote from Chicago. "Your Book awakens a Missionary Spirit, wherever it is read" —

And how many cases might be mentioned where rich men would give nothing — till when they have read the Book — they give often our account, cheerfully —

The at small profits — put it in wide circulation — It will make our cause known, & awaken an interest in behalf of Africa, in young & old, as lectures cannot —

The Lord is with us. We are holding 2 meetings every night — one in Chapel — the other in Town, from house to house — & interest is maintained —

I am nearly crushed with many labors — building school boys' house — not used to such work — All tolerably well —

The Lord bless you all — Send Laborers —

I rest Your Br Geo Thompson

Geo. Thompson
Dec 5/54
Rec'd Multon
March 3/55
Ans
Rev H B Knight

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Plainville Dec 6th 1864

Mr Whipple

Dear Sir

I received your line enclosing me a draft for twenty dollars for which I thank you - I wrote you from Glastenbury but from your letter I presume you had not received it as in that I tried to give you a definite account of my expenses and said to that Father gave me thirty dollars and wished me to pay the account with the Evangelist though he did not think it would be quite so much but you may pay it and have the paper stopped unless Father sends different orders before March next - I hope you will receive my letter and attend to the other matter as soon as you can conveniently but fearing you will not get the letter I will write about it now Beside the money which Father lent me I borrowed twenty dollars of my Brother, (Douglas Doggan, Danville Iowa) and twenty of Mr J. L. Parsons the gentleman who at my request called on you last summer, making forty dollars it may all be sent in one draft if you think best - Can the draft be duplicated and the draft sent to Mr J. L. Parsons Barlington Iowa and the duplicate to my Brother? or is this not the way it should be done? or is it unnecessary? I know but little about such business but knowing that one draft which you sent me was lost I would like to have those friends secured

I am troubled that I have been obliged to draw so much from you I will try to be economical as I can I feel sorry to have to wait so long for a vessel but I try to be patient but the time seems long –

Where can I direct to Mr and Mrs Tefft I should like to hear from them ?

I expect to go to New Preston to morrow and will remain a day or two then hope to visit Woodbury and Terryville if you think best you can write me at New Preston by Friday next or Terryville some time next week I will write you from Terryville and inform you of my movement from thence I do not wish to tax you to much in writing me though I like to hear from you often I hope you may soon find a vessel for Africa if there are letters for me at the rooms please remail them to me at New Preston –

I am very anxious to be going to Africa but may God give me grace to be patient and wait his time and make me useful there if he sees fit to send me –

With much respect

Yours truly

E. D. Burton

Mrs E. D. Burton
Bloomsville O
Dec 6/54

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-6924
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Good Hope December 6th 1854

Dear brother Whipple

I reached home several days since, very much fatigued, and almost immediately after my arrival, I was under the necessity of going to Kaw Mindi to attend to some business that concerned the Mission in general, and the expotaro, and taba, in my weak state brought on fever again, so that for some days past, I have been quite unwell again, but am some better now, I expect to go to Abeka in a few days, if my health will permit, and commence to negotiate for the land,

There is something mysterious about the books for Mr Nathan, Dr Cole opened the box and found them all right, put them in the cupboard all together, Mr. N. came and saw them, and the doctor says that they were all there when he (Mr N.) looked at them, but a few hours after, when he went to get them to send to Mr. N. three volumes were missing, namely, the 9 & 10th of Shakespeare & the 6th vol, of Bancrofts History of the United States, They are gone, and no one knows wher, so that you will need to forward others to fill the sets,

Please send 6 pairs good serviceable slippers, high in the instep, for Mary (Miss Aldrich) We want Websters spelling books very much, We are very hungry for [illegible] Pork, and none came, and I fear that we shall be hungry

Cant tell the other articles &c

for Beef soon, as we have only a ½ barrel, and many mouths to eat it.

Very truly your brother in Christ
D. W. Burton

P.S. We need several doz good plain Padlocks for sale, also tools to accompany our Black smiths forge, and some ½ doz good Stone Hammers and I would like a pair of Pliers to take our Clock apart with, and for other such like work

also Please send one pair good Gaiter boots one pair good walking shoes & 1 do fine slippers No 6 for our hired woman.

Rev D. W. Burton
Goodstone.
Dec 6/54
Rec'd Feb 27/55
Wants

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. H-6925
FISK UNIV.

Dayton O Dec 7. 1854

Rev Geo Whipple
New York

Dear Sir – The persons appointed to accompany me to Africa this fall or season declined going when our expectations were frustrated. On yesterday two other gentlemen were appointed, & accepted their appointment. The season is is far advanced but if we can sail soon, we might succeed in accomplishing something before the dry season closes.

I hope I shall be pardoned for making a few more requests of you. 1st Is it expedient. and "will it pay" to go out as late as the 20th Jan next, or the First of Feb; or would it be best to defer to next season?

2d What are the prospects for a suitable vessel at this season of the year? 3d. Have you, as yet, any Missionaries who expect to sail soon? If so inform us.

An immediate answer to these interrogatories are very desirable. Please, give them, if convenient.

My Address is Dayton O. (care Telescope Office)

Respectfully Wm J. Shuey

Rev. Wm. J. Shuey's
Dayton, O.
Dec 4. 1856

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-6925A
FISK UNIV.

Saratoga Spa 8th Decr 1854

My Dear Brother Whipple

I came here on Wedy Eve. There was no appointment made for me as I some Expected but I have made arrangements to speak next Sabbath Morning at the Presbyterian church and in the Evening at the Methodist church. No appointment was made at Amsterdam so that I did not go there. I now think that I shall remain here until I hear from you. I suppose by your not writing that Mr Machado concluded not to send a vessel. May the Lord direct. Miss Hunters is well & anxious to be off.

Affectionately

James C Jeffs

Rev. J. C. Jeffs
Dec 8/84

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-6926
FISK UNIV.

Galesburg Dec 11/57

Rev G. Whipple, Cor. Secy &c

Dear Bro.

I have conversed with Miss McIntosh, and you may consider her as "secured" to the Mendi Mission. Her mind is made up, prayerfully & deliberately to offer herself as a Missionary Teacher for Africa. She cannot be ready before April Then & subsequently, she will place herself at the disposal of your Society. If you are not ready to send her till next autumn, she will wait and improve the time as best she can.

you have doubtless received my former note, testifying to her qualifications. If you wish any further, or more formal credentials, we can furnish them in abundance. Do you wish a recommendation from the teachers of our Institution?

We are directing our efforts to obtain Rev. S. G. Wright, of Fowlon, Ills, as an Agent to manage your affairs in this section of the field. The Chicago brethren are united & earnest in favor of employing him. Bro Blanchard takes great interest in the object, Bro

Wright is willing to sub
mit the case to a coun
cil of a few neighboring
ministers and churches,
& abide by their advice,
He is not installed as
Pastor but has been
the stated supply of his
church ever since its
organization some years
ago.
I do not know the pre
cise relations between our
Society & yours, but
I suppose Bro Wright
will expect a formal
application from your
committee, at least
if he is to be employed
by the parent Society
If you wish to secure

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Rev. F. Bascom.

the best man in these parts for an agent now at your time. I think from what passed between Bro. Wright & Bro. Blanchard that $800 & expenses would be satisfactory as to sal ary. Are you prepared to take hold of him at once.

Dec 11. 1854

By the by, is the question of the relations of Western Auxiliaries to the parent Society definitely settled? Our cause suffers in this state, by the long suspense of churches & Missionaries as to that subject. I have not heard yet of its final settlement. Yours truly F. Bascom

A. M. A. ARCHIVE
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J. E. Jeffs
Dec 12/84

Saratoga Spa. 12th Decr 1884

Rev Geo Whipple Corse
A. M. A. 48 Beekman St. N.Y.

My Dear Brother

Your word to Miss Winters reached me this A.M. I was waiting to get word from you before we left for No White Cruk. We shall leave (D.V.) for there this eve. Shall hope to be in the City if all the trains fit in. About 4 or 5 PM on thursday unless we find letters at N. Wreck telling us to hold on. If you should learn any thing which makes you think we had better not come down at once please Telegraph Dr H. M. Paine 580 Broadway Albany to stop us. Jane will wait for orders.

Your brother
Jas E. Jeffs

P.S. Yours of Saturday
came safely & we are all
trying to profit by it.
May the Lord in answer to prayer
give us this preparation
J. C. T

Rev. J. C. Jeffs
Albany Dec 13/52

A. M. A. ARCHIVE
NO. FI-6918
FISK UNIV.

580 Broadway Albany 13 Dec/54

Dear Brother Whipple

I leave here this P.M. (D.V.) to go to my Sister Mrs Warner's at N. W. Creek & expect to return tomorrow on my way to the City.

Will you do me the kindness, if convenient, & you think it best, to ask bro Jaspar whether they expect, & would be pleased to have wife and I go to their house to spend the few days we are in the City. I got this impression from bro Jaspar, yet I would not like to go without an invitation. Write me a line and leave it on your table to-morrow. I may not get in until you are gone. I am willing Come on with us. And I tell

with a friend of Prof Morgan
who has sent an invitation to
her I will see that her pas-
sage is paid if she does not
get money from you

In love and haste
Your brother Heath Leffler

A.M.A. ARCHIVES
NO. FH6921
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Boon Falls Station Muscatine Illinois
McSuppan Dec. 13. 1854

My dear Brother

I have been ill for a week past, I have overworked and mismanaged a cutaneous eruption on my chest and with the two have suffered much from a spasmodic asthma. I lose most of the time during the week I have been quite unable to do the labors that seemed almost unavoidable. From Friday I have been free from spasms but have found it difficult to breathe. The Harmatan beginning just now is tearing my lungs with a dry cough. My flesh has shrunk away very much since the spasms commenced and my strength is much reduced. I have felt some alarmed and feared that I must seek a change and rest. Today I feel much better and hope soon to rally and take my post with a strong hand and earnest heart.

I wish to communicate the circumstances of a few trials I have had of late. I am confident you are prepared to learn that a dark depravity reigning in the heart as beclouded brightest hopes. You do enough in America to prepare you not to expect every bright star to be as sun. Yet, my dear Brother, I am confident that what I am about to communicate will weigh you down as it has me into the dust of sorrow. O! my heart bled at every thought of my poor erring boys.-

Some weeks since I became suspicious of wrong doing at the door of some one, and entered upon a plan to discover the wrong if any existed. By crafty watching and questions I discovered in time that three of my boys were in the habit of making untimely visits to others wives and of improper conduct towards them

Dec 13/54
J. S. Brooks
Boston

two stand guilty of adultry! one of whom, David Wilson is a member of our little church and has raised in my own heart at least, high hopes of his becoming useful, another Joseph E. McCarthy has for some months been a candidate for Church membership, the other Wm B. Tucker! has been imprudent and I cannot say without evil intent, but nothing yet appears to convict him of adultry. For these boys we have had the highest hopes, and now to see them so unworthy of the confidence we have bestowed upon them is overwhelming. My soul is filled with bitter bitter grief, wounded not only thus fall but the dishonor of them bleeding afresh lying in the very dust crucified and put to shame is too much for my unfeeling pen to trace.

The two former for some time have been in the habit after I am asleep to rise and go to Gilsland to visit those women with whom they have sinned. Those of my work men are guilty of the same crime.

Since these developments, Judeth Thomas a girl I have had high hopes of has been sent to me from Kaw Mundi and said to be pregnant by David Wilson. That they had illicit connections about five months ago both admits, but I am slow to believe that she is pregnant judging from her appearance. Be this as it may it in no way lightens the blow it is to my sorrowful heart. It is blow on blow, trial on trial. Judeth is a member of church but professedly in some time since the guilty transactions referred to. O how much I need your prayer and those poor erring youths too need the prayers of all faithful Christians. Pray for us even

Since writing this I have suffered much from the difficulties in my large school. I have been compelled to keep the house chiefly. I am now nearly well though I feel very weak. I have some cough & pain in the side & distresses for breath on going up stairs. Yesterday I felt I have been unable to do an hour's work as I wished to do. Sarah is at Lawrence with her father & mother. Mr. Robinson & family are all well. Mr. Robinson is a Missionary among the Sioux. Sarah has been with them since last Feb. 1855.

Dayton, Ohio, Dec 18th 1854

Rev Geo Whipple

Dear sir – Permit me to introduce to you the Rev. D. R. Flickinger who is under appointment to accompany me to Africa.

Under the circumstances it is considered best to visit your city and have an interview with you & Bro H. having our confidence hopes to meet a cordial reception and have the pleasure of conversing with you freely upon this vital question of African evangelization; especially of the prospect of rendering such aid as we as an humble church can afford.

Very Respectfully Yours
Wm J. Shuey

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Rev. W. J. Shuey
Dayton O.
Dec 18/84

Atlantic Ocean Dec 21/53. Three weeks out.

My dear Bro Whipple, I will begin my account of our voyage, as there is hope of a chance to send from Gambia. We have, indeed, a very pleasant company. I am pleased with them. Mr Pierce is from Philadelphia, & his wife from Bangor, Mr Hewitt, from Western N.Y. & his wife from Granville, Ohio. All very free, & sociable, & take us by the hand as brethren indeed, & fellow laborers. Miss Smith, is from Oswego, a thorough A.S, & warm admirer of Finney, Gerrit Smith & has Gerrit's Address, at the Jerry celebration. She went thro Finney's meeting in Syracuse. Had I seen her, before Mrs Bushnell, she would never have gone under A.B.C.F.M. But she longed to be a Missionary, willing to go any where — & as the subject of Free Missions had not been brought before her mind, she very naturally improved the first opportunity of being a Missionary. It is all right. She enters into most of my feelings, & principles, & I hope she may be a blessing at Gaboon — She is half a woman's right spirit, & not afraid to speak her mind. We have good times, reading, & singing together. I have given each couple, & Miss S. a copy of my Book — & send one to Dr Ford, & especially to Mr Walker, who wrote such a kind letter against me, that he may learn more correctly the state of Mendi Mission. — I also give one to Capt. Brown. He said he was told by Capt. Hewitt, that I called him "The prince of murderers", & he wished to see it — so I read what was in the Book about him. He was pleased, & said I had immortalized his name, as connected with Africa. He is very kind, & obliging to us — asks us to ask a blessing — we have morning & evening prayers, singing & prayer, as much as we like —

I did not by first Chance, to send more 3 copies of "Rifles of Bunyan" by A.J.S. & 6 copies of "The Slavery" & Library of 6 hymn Music "by Bradbury, Root, Hastings, & Mason" 23 1 doz copies "Burman Girl" A.J.S. — & 6 copies "Miss Path of Life" M.E. Bookcover. & 1 Barnes' on Revelation Park & Rev Jesus By Cudworth 1 copying Book.

Much to my surprise. I have been sea sick, considerably this time - at the first, almost as much so as any of them. But lately, I have read much, & written many letters. —

On Dec 2nd a Gale began, & lasted 25 hours, pretty severe. It made us pretty sick, in the commencement of the voyage so. We "lay to", under "close reefed" top sails, & did not go much any way. It was surprising to see how quietly, & easily the Brig rolled on the tops of the surging waves. "P. Soule" is a very fast sailer.

For about a week we had variable weather, - sunshine, & squalls, cold, & pleasant - but made progress, most of the time.

We began to think we were out of the reach, or region of Storms, & that we should have a pleasant voyage. I had already composed a little hymn, to cheer & enliven our hearts, which I enclose, & you can publish it, or not, as you please. (Onward, onward, now we're dashing, on the pinions of a prayer.)

But, before day, on the 11th another Gale set in, & continued with great fury for 50 hours! It was indeed a squally time. The winds blew a Tempest - the Rains fell in torrents, & wild ocean heaved, & raged with awful majesty. One wave broke over us, which dashed into the Cabin frightfully, swashing back & forth, wetting Books, & Clothes, & spoiling many things. The Capt said the Sea was 4 ft above the Rail of the Vessel, when it came over - & that in the night the Rail was under water much of the time! You can judge a little of our situation. We were under close reefed sails, lying to - so, of course we did not make much progress.

During it all, our company were all cheerful, & smiling, & could sing praises with a good heart, feeling that all was right, while we could join with the Child "My Father's at the helm".

In the midst of the Storm I wrote 12 verses, on these words, which we sang, & strengthened our faith. I shall send them, when I can get a chance to write a letter to the Children, to whom they are dedicated. I think you will like them, & they will do the children good. —

After the Storm, we went on again, making fine progress — when on the 16th, about noon, a leak was discovered! They sounded, & found 3 ft water in the hold! And as it was not known how long it had been coming in, there was considerable excitement, among the hands, for a time. The Capt ordered the Deck lightened, & about 2000 ft of pine lumber was thrown over board — & other heavy articles moved forward, as the leak was aft. — The pumps were worked lively, & after a time, the water was brought down, & by frequent pumping, kept down, till, on the eve of next day, the "Trades" came to our relief, & rolled us on the other side, so that now we leak but little — it is easily kept down — & we are rapidly approaching the land of our desire.

Thus far we have had a rough time — out 3 weeks, & rain, & squalls every day! But we have made fine progress. Though there have been 3 days "lying to", & other zigzags, we have averaged over 150 miles a day, on our course, direct. This is doing well. —

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24th Christmas eve. How delightful & luscious, this Tropical evening! — Not a cloud to be seen — For the first day since leaving, no rain! To day a Grampus Whale, came & played around the Ship some time. It must have been 30 ft long, & as large round as a hogshead cask. We had a fair view of him. His blowing made a tremendous splashing in the water, close behind us. A grand sight. —

Porpoises we came around to day — the first I have seen — but they left, before I got my large harpoon ready. —

It is now fine Dry Season weather, & very pleasant. —

This eve, for supper, we had 7 kind of rich, & fancy cake, which the Gaboon ladies brought forward, for a Xmas eve feast. A large plate full, of all the kinds was sent to the Sailors, who sent back Sailors' hearty thanks. —

The 22nd & 23d some pleasant, with squalls. on 22nd 4 vessels seen, & the next day 2 more. — (The cakes, I am told, were from the Society — a private lady sent them to the boat, for a Christmas feast.) —

26th Yesterday, (Sabbath) was a good day. After breakfast, & prayers, we assembled on upper Deck, 4 Sailors present, & Mr Condit preached to us, & I followed. In P.M. we read aloud, (3 Sailors present) 2 chapters from Saints' Rest — & in eve, a social prayer meeting, which refreshed us all. All rejoiced that we had been thrown together, in the Providence of God, that we may know, & sympathize with each other.

We expected to have seen land this morning, but light winds, last night & this A.M. have prevented. Never saw so many flying fish, at once, as this morn - flock on flock, immense, amazing beautiful, have darted up, containing thousands & tens of thousands of the pretty little creatures, & flown from 10 to 50 rods.

Private. Yesterday morn, Porpoises came round, & the Capt called out for my harpoon. I said "I put it in my Room, on Saturday night, to keep you from using to day, for I expected they would be around!!" — He was hard, & cut to the heart. It reproved his practice of doing such things, on Sabbath, as on other days. He felt it - & said, in a cavil, "You better not chew any thing to day. Well, well, that is sailing close to the wind!" he. At the tables he had to speak of it again. In the eve, when we were writing, he said, "It is as wrong to use those steel pens, on Sunday, as the Thompson harpoon" he. So we could see that it struck fast - & hope it may do him good. —

28th River Gambia. Struck soundings yesterday morning - & anchored last eve in the Gambia, 27 day from Sandy Hook. A good passage. —

I remained at the tip top of the mast, about an hour, straining my eyes for land, until I was permitted to cry aloud "Land ho"! which sent a thrill of joy through every soul. —

Gambia is low, but very pleasant. We expect to go on, perhaps tomorrow —

We feel greatly to rejoice, & praise the Lord, for the privilege of again seeing land, but especially that we can gaze on the beauties of our adopted home. Ecstacy fills each heart. Rejoice with us.

But the Custom House Boat has come, with an officer, & a company of negroes, wine, & rum loving, wicked americans, & others, to hail Capt Brown. They asked if he had any Rum. He answered NO. They said he had misjudged it that he had brought none, as there was very great demand for it. The Capt said he had taken no Rum since he bought the Founder in 1850!!!! - I was rejoiced to hear it. But Capt Forsyth has invited us all to his house, & we are going ashore. Spend the day - next sheet.

2nd Sheet to Geo Whipple) Dec 29th. Yesterday, after breakfast, we all went ashore, to Capt Forsyth's - an American Capt who lives at the Gambia, with his Wife. After a little we left the Ladies there, & went to the Wesleyan Mission House, where we were very cordially rec'd by Bro Meadows the Supt of the Mission. He has his Wife with him, & a Br from Eng who has been out only 2 months.

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In their Mission, including Bathurst, & out stations, near, they have 2 English, & 1 native Missionaries. 570 Members, communicants - 4 School Teachers, & 359 scholars. 5 Local Preachers, & 20 class Leaders. At McCarthy's Island, 200 miles up the River, they have 3 Local Preachers, 16 Leaders, & 220 Members - & 122 scholars. Bro Joseph May, whose name is familiar to you, as connected with Raymond's efforts in Sierra Leone, & mine, has been at the Island 4 years, & is very much beloved by everybody. He is now appointed to go again to Freetown, & expects to go down by next Steamer. We met him in Bathurst, & had a happy meeting. He, & a Br Baeza, (a very, polished gentleman, & lovely Christian, a colored man, & Teacher) conducted us round the City, to see the Lions. Bathurst is the Port, & Capital of the Gambia colony, & contains 5000 inhabitants, mostly native - the few whites, the Governor, Officers, some merchants, & Capts. The location is extremely bad - ten times worse than that of Mendi Mission, except that they are surrounded by Salt water. It is on an Island a few miles in circumference, very low, just above the water, a mere sand bank, as it were. At the dry season even, every high tide, backs up into the Town, ~~so the back part of it, it looks like a lake, as I saw with my own eyes this morning.~~ And in the Rainy season, the place is nearly submerged - many of the streets under water - ~~& Capt Forsyth said they used to go round in canoes, through the city!!~~ It must needs be so - there is no way to prevent it, they are so low. All over, the sand is so deep, that it is very hard walking - like some of the sandy places of Southern N.J. - A consequence of all is, it is a very sickly place in the Rainy season. ~~A large "Barracks", Fort, Hospital, &c, are here kept up.~~ The inhabitants are mixed, as in Sierra Leone, tho not so much. The Jaloffs, are very numerous, a tall, black tribe, Catholics, & Mahommedans

Bro Condit wants a Portfolio - like mine - such as Carter & I got at Coffin's, costing 2 or 3 dollars!

This ~~Stock~~, is said to be the country of the Mandingoes, who are scattered over Africa, wherever we go, as Traders, gregre makers &c.
Tho I never not so many Mandingoes, as in Freetown.
The Jalofs country, adjoins. They also dress like Mandingoes, wear charms, & pray by beads &c — They are a smart, intelligent Tribe.
In Bathurst is a Catholic Church, a Bishop &c — The colonial Church is quite small, ~~the house, as large as a good~~ country school house, 2 stories —
There are many large, substantial buildings in Bathurst, & it is a place of much trade. Many vessels visit here. Pea nuts constitute a principle article of export — hides, gold, &c — Many of the Jalofs, the women, has immense massive pure gold rings in their ears, a handful, sometimes. —
There is here a Steamer, which plies wholly on the Gambia, once a month, ascending, about 300 miles, or more. —
Here, & about, horses can be bought very cheap, & many are sent down the Coast to Sierra Leone &c — I saw one American large mare, which looked in good plight. — Cows, goats, sheep, dogs, fowls, large hawks, turkey buzzards &c abound in the City.
I think these are the first Buzzards I have seen in Africa.
In the evening I preached, in the Wesleyan, large Chapel, to a very good, & attentive audience — bro Condit with me.
(The other Brethren desired to attend, but their instructions enjoin them not to be on shore, after sun down) —
We had agreed with the Capt, to send the Boat for us at 9 o'clock, but he forgot it, & after waiting, on the Beach, & calling nearly 1½ hours, & taking cold, we went & slept all night with Mr. & Bazza — & came aboard this morn.
The Capt said, he should get away by ~~daylight~~ sunrise — but, he get a company around him, drinking, & we did not start till about 11 A.M. — & he was so drunk he could hardly stand up &c We were beat, & astonished. This is to you alone — when you have read, take a pen, & black it over. —
Starting so late, the tide met us, & we had to anchor about 3 P.M. inside the Cape — but discharged our Pilot.
While at anchor, I caught 3 very fine fish, & Condit another, so that we had a fine supper. The first fresh fish we have caught, except a few flying fish, which have come aboard.
I love fishing as well as when a boy — but also wish to be a "fisher of men". —

Private & confidential

A.M. NO. FIS

January 2/54. About 50 miles, or a little more, from Fruetown, Liberia! —
The Capt. went into Gambia, to get his Pilot Boat, which he had left there, & he manned it, & came out together, expecting the would keep our company, as they had no Charts, or instruments for observations. But on the morn of the 30th no Schooner was to be seen, & we have not seen it since. They have a very dangerous Coast to navigate — May the Lord protect them. —
That night, & next day, did not put on full sail, in hopes the Schooner would come in sight, which hindered us, 2 or 3 knots an hour. — 31st P.M. nearly a calm. — Yesterday P.M. a calm — & last night, & to day, a calm. How trying! almost in sight, & can't get get along — like having the nightmare.
The year, just closed, has been an eventful year to me. It has carried me over the Atlantic 3 times — laid my first born beneath the Mango tree, & scattered the remnant of my family far & wide, whether to meet again, in time, or not, our Father only knows. May He do with us, as seemeth good to Him, & glorify Himself in spite of us, for His dear name's sake —
Because I can thus leave my family, I have been accused with want of love to my family — but such know not the struggle it cost me — they know not what they do — May feel not the claims of the Gospel upon them, they have never realized its fulness & power. & may heaven forgive them, & give them hearts to feel for those sitting in darkness. —
While in Africa, last, I wrote a short article for publication, with regard to missionaries taking children to Africa — giving my change of views & present feelings on the subject. Have you rec'd it? Let me know. It must have been dated in last June, or July. —
In P.M. a breeze came to our relief, & is pushing us rapidly forward. —
3rd " Last night, from midnight, or about, & to day, till nearly night, a calm again — very hot, & hazy weather — in sight of the coast, all day. —
Yesterday, towards night we passed in sight of De Los Islands —
This morn, at prayers, I took occasion, very kindly, but faithfully, to speak of the duty of taking the whole Bible for our guide — especially of remembering the oppressed — showing that we cannot expect the blessing of God on our churches, or Missions, if we refuse to regard the many injunctions on this subject — founding my remarks on Jeremiah 8, 9. I spoke of the India Missions, & India Missions, & of the importance of beginning right — of forming a correct public sentiment on these great subjects — Spoke of the absolute duty of praying for the oppressed in private & public — & of preaching on the subject, as occasion demands. I spoke kindly, & they seemed to receive it — some thanked me. And afterwards, in converse with Mr Herrick, he expressed the idea that there was a prejudice against our Mission, & me, in particular — & felt that if they could become acquainted with me, as he had done, they would not have. I spoke of the A.B.C.F.M. plainly, but kindly, & told him, that unless it went ahead, the public mind would go ahead of it, & shortly it would be left to go down — And so of our association, if it should come to a stand still. All seemed in good feeling. May God bless them —

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Freetown Jan 4/53 – Just arrived this morning all well – A vessel is just ready to start for N.Y. – I haste to close. Br. Gray, is here ready to start – Br. Burks, I learn has been obliged to leave his place on account of sore legs – A house is put up on Sherbro – but none on Plantains – nothing done there – Mr Gray, must tell you particulars ——— Lis Lyster very poorly – May the Lord direct you, in all things And may he guide us, in all our ways, to his glory & praise

In haste

Your aff.te Bro.

Geo Thompson

Rev. Geo. Thompson
Ocean Dec/53
Freetown Jan 4/54
C.C.N.Y. Feb 13/54

John. S. Brooks
Broom Hall
Dec 27/52

Hours

Rev. Geo. Whipple,
48 Bleekman Street
New York U.S.A.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI 6957
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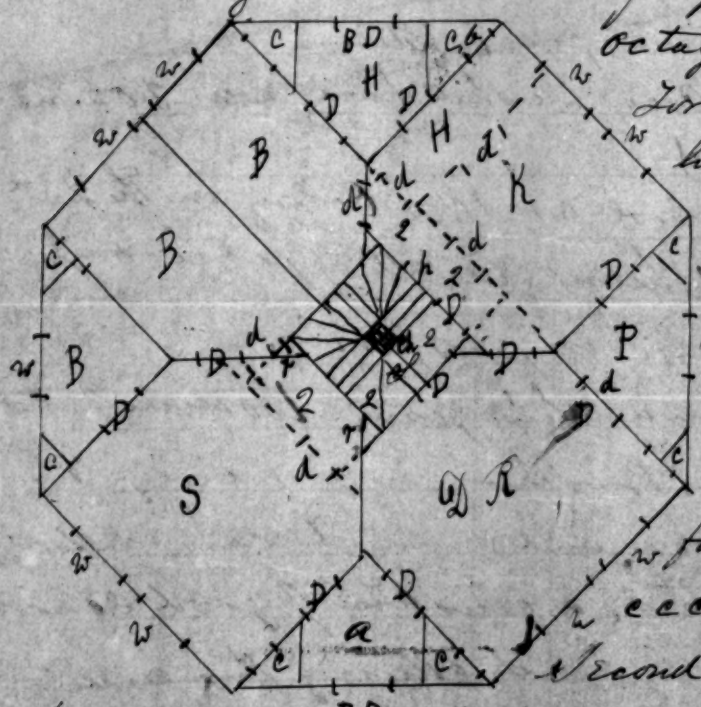
Boom Falls Station,
Mo Tappan. Dec. 27. 1854.

Dear Br. Whipple.

I have been ill for three weeks past and now though much better am not able with the pressing duties of the present season to make out a report in season for a New years gift. And I fear I shall be too much pressed to do more than give a brief abstract of what my report should be, I know you would forgive me any degree of necessary neglect, for this season, chiefly, I sit down at 11 O'clock in the evening to pen a hasty letter excusing my neglect.

The house is going up finely, though rather slow. It is designed for all the Mission Family school Children & all. I will give below a rough plan. It is a two story house 17 ft octagon sides making 41 ft diameter.



For the Ground plan trace the full drawn lines, F.D. for entrance B.D. Back do. D.R. Dining room, K Kitchen S. School-room P Family Stores. B.B.B. Boys rooms w the 2 larger to accomodate 4 each will do for 6. Small 2 boys. D.D. & Entrances to the rooms, & r. Book shelves for School, p & c.b. cup boards & pantry. D Kit c c c &c closits, ch Chimney S. rise of Stairs.

Second Story, dotted lines are to be followed for the rooms, F D a Bath room S. & S.R. Missionary bed rooms, P study, K Sewing room H. H. sick room or bed room B. B. B. Girls' bed rooms d d & D.D. doors c c c Closets 2, 2, 2, 2. Chamber Hall, this gives 16 rooms

The outside wall is of hewn stone, the inside of dry clay bricks. The doors both for the front and back are to be strong double doors battened or constructed of inch stuff two thicknesses well nailed, and fastened with bars and bolts. The windows are to be protected on the lower story of shutters in the same way. This is for peace, wars come in the night. The day is no time for them. If war come our windows & doors are closed and their cutlasses & few guns cant open them. With this building we shall need but two more, to be of 12 for Octagon sides. One to be used as wash kitchen root cellar, wood, carpenter shop & other work shop, goats hens & water closits. This we shall build this year. The other for to accomodate two families, to assist on farm and school &c. We shall not need this now or we can do without it. These buildings are to be constructed of dry clay bricks, thatched roofs & plastered out side - dwelling house inside also. So much for buildings.

I am now drying our Coco, we shall have over 300 bus. for eating and 100 for seed.

Dr. Cole opened a School at Mo Colony on the 25th of Dec. with 4 pupils. His heart is full of peace ~~& hope~~

The School at Mo Bango is prospering.

Cant start at Kisana this year, too much work, too much work, Brother. Give me help & relieve me from the Church and general care of station and I will, God willing, start a cluster of good schools which will be like an army in subduing this people.

As soon as help comes I shall resign charge of this station to take charge of stations schools and give my whole heart to this work, the Mission calling.

God's hand is in the changes of time. I learn today that Gir-ri-han-e-wa chief of Sha, the great war fermenter, is dead. His name expresses his character girri eagle han e wa, the great or largest, "The great Eagle". And truly he has been such his whole life, of dead he is now cut off in his prime.

Rum is doing a great work here. O how disheartening, I think it more than all our other enemies.

News of war is frequent, but the news kills no one yet.

We have had much trouble with our large boys here, the most of them have been imprudent to say the least with women, we hope that they have not been so wicked as we have some ground to fear.

I thank you for the shirts & books, may your kindness be returned to you double.

I am unworthy yours.

John L. Brooks.

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Rev. Geo. Whipple
New York.

Dear Sir:

Pardon me for again intruding upon your attention. I have received no reply to my last written in Nov. In which I acknowledged a drawing of heart towards Africa but left the question with the Com. I informed you that my present engagement terminates in Feb. and that nothing but the duty of visiting my friends would then detain me.

I would like for guidance, as I am entirely unacquainted with missionaries. I some times think that if you could see me you could better estimate my ability; perhaps you would say "You have not the necessary qualifications"; then I would say "It is well."

I wish to enquire what course of study or of reading you would recommend; and whether you would advise my attendance on some preparatory school; if indeed you think it advisable for me to devote myself to mission life. Would you advise the study of some dead or foreign language?

Since my last I have had such views of of my weakness helplessness and incompetency, both spiritually and intellectually that I seem to myself the most unfit for such a work.

Not that I am unwilling to make the sacrifices, but the magnitude of the work overwhelms me. Truly none can work except the Lord be with them. Do those who are truly called feel any doubts about it? I do not reckon on a life of ease or of pleasure "It is enough for the servant to be as his Lord"

I am thus frank with you dear brother that as far as possible you may understand my feelings. I long to be what the Lord would have me, and to labor where He would have me.

My daily prayer is that God would qualify and send forth laborers into His vineyard, for the harvest is great, and that the property of the church may be consecrated to sustain them. Notwithstanding all that is done, the mass of the church as far as I have met it, are scarcely conscious of their responsibility to carry out personally by their prayers and offerings the last command of the Saviour. When shall they know their privilege, to become "one" with him by their sacrifices!

But the promises of God are sure. "The heathen shall be given to Christ for His inheritance and the uttermost parts of the earth for a possession. Blessed are they whom He permits to labor with Him in this work. If I am never called to labor in foreign lands, this by His grace I will do, I will cooperate as far as He prospers me, with those who do go.

You have never asked for any references for my character as christian &c. but perhaps it is not your province. Excuse my ignorance and if convenient write me soon. Shall I ask the opinion of a medical man as to my constitutional ability to endure warm climates? Praying that God may bless you and the missions under your care. I remain,

Yours truly.

Hannah Howes.

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Printing Establishment & Book Concern of the United Brethren in Christ.

Dayton, Ohio, Dec 30 1854

Rev Geo Whipple
New York

Dear sir We are preparing to start for your city on thursday next & will arrive there on Saturday. We hope to be in time for the vessel in port when Bro Flickinger left N y. I write to apprize Bro Teft of our movements

Very Respectfully
W. J. Shuey

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Rev. W. J. Shuey
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Com. of African Mission. Condit's letters.
Death of Barnes
Release of rent at Kaw-Mendi.

Mela	Thompson	Condit
Offin March 14	March 13	March 11/ 3d page
Coles April 9. 11		

Gray & Wife. N.S. Feb 24. last part of that s.

Appeal	Thompson	Dr J. G. Cole. 14 too large.
Books Apr 10	April 13/54.	Mr Rec'd in proportion to money given.
		reace 2d page of his letter.

Miss Susan Seall. Books of Sept Feb 25/. outfit.
3. died
8.

Dan'l Howard

Rev. Geo. S. Brown
Doct. W. Witt.
Miss Susan Woolsey
Miss Jane Winters.

Jeffs returns.

Removal from Haw-Mendi.

Miss Moore. Boarding School at Pleasantville (Beaulhos)
1 Unhealthy. & School too large. &c. see letter page 2

Appointments

Jane.
Recall
Nila.
Haw Mendi.

Kaw Mendi Mission

To Bonthe Factory in Charge of Nat. Nathan Factor for Chas. Heddle Esq. Dr

1853					£	s	d
Sept. 30	To Bal. of Acct. Rendered to Date				32	7	11½
Oct. 3	" Paid for 34 ½ Bus Oyster Shells	"	3	3			
" "	" 2 Spear pointed Hammers 10d	"	1	8			
" "	" ¾ lbs Tobacco 7½d Pesos ¾	"	"	8			
" 5	" 1½ " Do (house use) 10d	"	1	3			
" "	" Paid for 24½ Bus Oyster Shells	"	6	3	"	13	1
" 6	" 2 Bus. Rice to Laborers 7/6	"	15	"			
" "	" Paid for 43½ Bus Oyster Shells	"	3	"			
" "	" 1 Water Mug	"	1	3			
" "	" 5 lbs Tobacco 10d	"	4	2			
" "	" 3 Madras Hdkfs (On Ds Order) 1/3	"	3	9			
" 8	" 2 Turkey Red Do " " " 1/2	"	2	4			
" 10	" 1½ lbs Tobacco " " " 10d	"	1	3			
" 15	" 6 Ps Sat. Stripe " " " 8/6	2	11	"			
" "	" 2 " Red Taffaty " " " 8/-	"	16	"			
" "	" 2 Doz Wht. Wash Basins 9/-	"	18	"			
" "	" 1 Madras Hkf " " 1/3	"	1	3			
" 19	" 10 Bus Rice to Masons 7/6	"	7	6			
" "	" 2 Quts Do to Laborers 3d	"	"	6			
" 20	" Paid Order to P. Tarmah, Pr J.C. Tiffin	"	16	8			
" "	" 1 lb Tobacco Masons Order Mr. Officer	"	"	10			
" "	" 2 Yds Sat Stripe " " 6	"	1	"			
" "	" 2 Gal. Palm Oil " " 1/6	"	3	"			
" "	" 2 Bus Rice " " 7/6	"	15	"			
" 21	" 2 Qts Do Laborers " " 3	"	"	6			
" 22	" 1 Bus Rice " " 7/6	"	7	6			
" "	" 3 Double Bus Caps 2/- 1 lb Beads 1/-	"	3	7			
" "	" 11 Yds Paft. 8 7/6 3 Yds Sat. Stripe for 1/6	"	8	10			
" "	" Tobacco Paid Laborers	"	3	5			
" 24	" Paid Hog Cates for Rice (Order Mr Officer)	"	14	11	10	3	
	Amt Carried forward				£ 43	1	3½

A. M. A. ARCHIVES NO. FI-6935 FISK UN.

					£	s	d
1853		To Amt of Sundries brt forward			43	1	3½
Oct 24		Goods Paid for 77 balls Palm Oil	2	19	1		
"	"	" 1 Bus Rice to J.S. Brooks	"	7	6		
"	"	" 1 Bus Salt " "	"	2	"		
"	"	Paid T.C. Taylor for Oyster Shells (T.G.C.)	"	6	"		
"	25	" 2 Bus Rice to Masons Order Mr. Off	"	15	"		
"	"	" 2 Doz Pipes " "	"	1	"		
"	26	" 3 lbs Tobacco (to Sabonus) 10d	"	2	6		
"	"	" 3½ " " " Order (Mr. Officer)	"	2	11		
"	"	" Cash Paid wash woman . M. C	"	3	"		
"	31	" 1 Bus. Rice to Mason " "	"	7	6		
"	"	" 1 lb Tobacco " " 10d	"	"	10		
"	"	" 2 Bus Rice " " 7/6	"	15	"		
"	"	" Paid John Martin for Making 1000 Segars for Samuel Gray Per Order	"	10	"	6	12 4
Nov	1	" ½ lb Tobacco Order Mr. Officer	"	"	5		
"	"	" 12 Timber Nails " "	"	1	6		
"	2	" 4 lbs Tobacco " " 10d	"	3	4		
"	"	" 6 Yds Sat. Stripe " " 8d	"	4	"		
"	"	" 6 " Blue Baft " " 8d	"	4	"		
"	"	" Sundries " "	"	2	6		
"	3	" 1 Bus Rice " " 4/-	"	4	"		
"	"	" 1 Doz Blue Plates " " 4/6	"	4	6		
"	"	" 1 " " China " " 2/3	"	2	3		
"	"	" 2 Cord Boards 4th Size " "	"	2	"		
"	"	" 2 " " 6th " " "	"	1	6		
"	"	" 1 Water Mug 2 gts " "	"	1	3		
"	"	" 1 " " 1 " " "	"	"	9		
"	"	" 1 Qt Decanter for Molasses	"	6	"		
"	"	" 1 Wash Basin " "	"	"	9		
"	4	" 1 Bus Rice Masons " " 4/-	"	4	"		
"	"	" 3 lbs Tobacco " " " 10d	"	2	6		
"	"	" 5 Bus Rice 4/ 3 lbs Tob. 10d " "	1	2	6		
"	5	" Cash to Wash woman " "	"	3	"	3	10 9
		Amt carried forward				£53	4 4½

			£	s	d	£	s	d
1853		Amt. of Sundries brt. forward				53	4	0½
Nov. 5	To	13½ lbs. Mutton Mr Officers Order		6	9			
" 7	"	Goods to Satier Mary for Canoe " "		7	6			
" "	"	1 Gal Pm Oil 1/6 1 Stone Jug 1/ " "		2	6			
" "	"	2 Fismore Oars " " 2/2		4	4			
" 10	"	4 Bus Rice 4/ 1 Doz Cutlasses (Wm G. Hopf) 9/	1	5	"			
" 11	"	2 " " (Mr Gray) 4/ (for Masons)	"	8	"			
" "	"	2 Madals Hdkfs " 1/3 1 Gal Pm Oil 1/6		4	"			
" 12	"	5½ lbs Tobacco 10d 1 Wash Basin 9d	"	5	4			
" 14	"	1 Mul Pad Lock (Mr O) 2d 1 Jug 1 Gal 1/		1	2			
" 15	"	Paid Order J. C. J. & H. Green 8/4		8	4			
" 16	"	¼ lb Rivets 3¾d 2 Bus Rice 4/	"	8	3¾			
" 18	"	4 Bus Rice (Mr O) 4/ 1/3 Doz Cutlasses 9/	1	0	6			
" "	"	2 Bags 1/ 2 lbs Tobacco (Masons) 10d	"	3	10			
" 19	"	2 Bus Rice (D. W. Burton) 4/	"	8	"			
" 23	"	3 " " (Mr. Officer) 4/	"	12	"			
" 24	"	Tobacco " " 9	"	"	9			
" 26	"	14 Bus Rice D. W. Burton 4/	2	16	"			
" "	"	Tobacco (Mr. Officer)	"	1	6			
" 28	"	40 Ps B Bast D. W. Burton 12/	24	"	"			
" "	"	2 Bus Rice 4/ 1 lb Spike Nails 1/3	"	9	3			
" "	"	2 Doz Double Red Caps Dr Cole 10/	1	"	"			
" "	"	1 " Wash Basins 9/ 8 Mad. Hdkfs 1/3 "	"	19	"			
" "	"	12 " Turkey Red Hdkfs 1/2 "	"	14	"			
" "	"	½ Doz ½ Pt Mugs " 4/6	"	4	6			
" 29	"	5 lbs Spike Nails 1/3	"	6	3			
" 30	"	1 lb Tobacco	"	"	10	36	17	7¾
Dec. 1	"	1 " " (D. W. Burtons Order) 10d	"	"	10			
" "	"	Sundries " "	"	5	"			
" "	"	2 Wash Basins Dr Cole 1/6	"	3	"			
" 2	"	14 Bus Rice D. W. Burton 4/	2	16	"			
" 3	"	Paid Boatmen "	"	5	2½			
" "	"	" "		2	6			
" "	"	Blacksmith Pr Order		1	3	13	12	9½
		Amount carried forward				£93	15	9½

1853		To Amt of Sundries brought forward			93	15	9¾
Decr.	5	To 5 lbs Tobacco. Mr Officers Order	.	4 2			
"	7	" Cash to Washwoman for D.W. Burton	"	7 "			
"	8	" 1 Doz Cutlasses & 8 lbs Iron for 2/3 M.C. order	.	11 3			
"	10	" Sundries 1/3 M.C. Cred to Calpha D.W.B. 2/3	.	5 "			
"	13	" Tobacco 3/ (Mr O's) order	"	3 .			
"	"	" Calking Canoe 8d Pitch 1/3	"	1 11			
"	"	" 2 lbs Oakum 11d 1 lb Tobacco 10d	"	1 6			
"	"	" Paid Carpenter for repairing Canoe	"	5 "			
"	15	" 5 lbs Tobacco for Men 10d	.	4 2			
"	"	" " " "	"	3 .			
"	"	" 2½ Bus Rice for Masons 4/	"	10 .			
"	16	" Sundries to Cooper	"	1 6			
"	19	" 1½ lbs Wrot Nails for (Mr Officers)	.	1 "			
"	"	" 1 " " 10d "	"	" 10			
"	"	" Flat Cot & Tobacco 3/	"	3 9			
"	"	" Paid for Calking (Canoe Express)	.	5 "			
"	20	" Oakum & Paid Bennett (Pr Order) 4/		4 3	3	12	4
"	"	" Paid Wm Tucker " "	"	4 "			
"	"	" " Alex Robert 1/6 Jas John " " 2/	"	3 6			
"	"	" 2 lbs Tobacco (Masons) 10d	"	1 8			
"	"	" ½ Bus Rice " 4/	"	2 "			
"	22	" 1 " " Alex Robert 4/	.	4 "			
"	"	" 4 lbs Tobacco Jas John 10d	"	3 4			
"	25	" ½ Quire Paper & Wash Basins 2/3	.	3 "			
"	26	" 3 Bus Rice Mr Officers order 4/	.	12 "			
"	"	" 1 Yd Bro Cot D.W. Burton	.	. 6			
"	28	" Paid Jas Smith for 2 Bus Rice 4/	"	8 "			
"	"	" " Wm Raymond do D. Cole (Order)	"	5 "			
"	30	" 1 lb 8d Nails	"	. 8			
"	"	" 1 " 10d Nails	.	" 10			
"	31	" 1 Bus Rice Jas John Pr M.C. (order)	.	4 .			
"	"	" 1 " " (Masons) "	.	4 .			
"	"	" 1 " " (W Tucker) " "	"	4 "	3	"	6
		Amount carried forward			£100	8	7¾

			£	s	d
1853	To Amt. Sundries brot from 1st Sheet		100	8	3¼
Dec 31	" 2½ lbs Tobacco (Alex Robertson per Order) 10d	" 2 1			
" "	" 1 Strip Country Cloth D.W.B.	" 3 9			
" "	" 1 Pr Kid Gloves 3/6	" 3 6			
" 29	" 2 Bus Rice (omitted) Pr Mr. Offices 4	" 8 .		17	4
			£101	5	11¾
1854					
Jany 2	" 1½ lbs Tobacco (Masons) " 10d	" 1 3			
" 3	" 3 Scantling 16 feet 16/	" 18 6½			
" "	" 2 Check Shirts D.W.Burton 2/	" 4 "			
" "	" 1 Latch " " 2/6	" 2 6			
" 4	" Paid Washroom for "	" 4 "			
" 5	" " Jno Skinner Pr Mr Offices Or.	1 14 6			
" 10	" 3 Bus Rice (for Masons) 4/	" 12 "			
" 12	" 2 Bots Porter " 1/	" 2 "			
" "	" Paid Carroy Pr Order "	" 11 .			
" 14	" " James Johnson for Rice Order J.C. Jeff	18 9			
" "	" 1 lb Tobacco Burton's Order 10d	" " 10			
" 17	" 1 " " "	" " 10			
" 19	" 1 Bus " Rice Order J.C. Jeff	" 4 .			
" 20	" 2 Doz Wash Basins D.W. Cole 10/	" 10 "			
" " 2	" ½ Dt Mugs " 4/6	" 9 "			
" 21	" 1 Iron Pot (for Mason) Pr Jeff	" " 9			
" "	" 4 lbs Tobacco " Burton 10d	" 3 4			
" 24	" 1 Bale 70 lbs " Order D. Cole 10d	2 18 4			
" "	" 2 Doz Pipes 4d (Masons) Pr Jeff	" 1 6			
" "	" Sundries to D.W. Burton	" 2 6			
" 27	" 1 Board 11 feet 2d	" 1 10			
" 28	" 1 Bus Rice Carpenter 4/	" 4 "			
" 30	" 6 " " " 4/	1 4 .	11	9	5½
Feby 4	" 1½ " " " 4/	" 6 "			
" "	" ½ Bus Salt 2/	" 1 "			
" "	" 10 lbs Tobacco M. O. (order) 10d	" 8 4			
" "	" Sundries	" 8 6			
" "	" Cash Paid D.W.B. (Washing)	4 3	1	3	1
	Amount carried forward		£113	18	6¼

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1854	Amount of Sundries Bt forward					£113	18 6¼
Feby 4	To Cash Pd for Mr Washing	"	3	6			
" 6	" Tobacco "	"	1	6			
	" Blue Baft } Mats	"	5	6			
" 21	" Acct Wm Chas Hedale (Town)		5	9	6		
" "	" Exchange on 37½ lbs Shot 1½	"	4	8¼			
" 23	" Paid Harry Tucker for Rent Rs J.C.T.		18	15	2		
" "	" 1 Bale 70 lbs Tobacco Hondut Cost		2	6	8		
" "	" 6 Iron Bars 1/6 Pr Jl Tefft	"		9	"		
	" 18 Yds B Baft Omitted 8 Oct Mr Ellis Cram 8d	"		12	"		
	" 8 lbs Pork " 29 " " " "			5	4½		
	" 5 " Tobacco " Feby 4 10d	"		4	2	28	17 0¾
" 23	" Ballance of Good Hope acct to Date					25	7 8½
						£168	3 3½

1853 — Contra. Cr. —

Oct. 26	By 2½ Bush Rice 7/6	"	18	9		
Nov. 14	" 1 Bs Salt Beef 7½ 8d	"	5	"		
" 15	" 1 " " " 5½ 8d	"	3	8		
" 16	" 2 Lintels 60 feet	"	9	"		
" 24	" 9½ lbs Cheese for	"	6	"		
Dec 3	" 37½ lbs Bird Shot 6	"	18	9		
" 6	" 188 Feet Boards }	"	"	"		
" "	" 400 " Scantling } 588 lbs		4	14	2	
" "	" Making 1 Lock key	"		4	2	
" "	" 1 Doz Spools Cot Thd 3/	"		3	"	
" "	" Tape 1/ 2 Hats 2/6 1½ Doz Files 5/6	"		14	3	
" "	" 6 Sm Butcher Knives			6	3	
" "	" 1, 2 Blades "			2	3	
" "	" 2 Painted Wash Basins 1/6	"		3	"	
1854	" Sundries Bot in Town		2	5	1	
Jany 14	" 1 Canister Powder	"		4	2	
" 17	" 24 lbs Yellow Paint 10d	"		16	8	
Feby 21	By 12 Pr Boots (omitted) in July		4	4		
	" Left Cr on Knives & forks			7	8	
	Carried forward		£17	4	10	

	To Sundries Dr brt forward				£ 168	3 3½
1854	By Amts of Sundries brt forward		£17	4	10	
July 21	" Gsp Cr on Razors		"	1	6	
" "	" 197 Ft Boards	16/	1	11	6	
" "	" 1 Axe & Helve		"	7	6	
" "	" 6 ℔s Bar Lead	4d	"	2	"	
" "	" 12 Balls twine	1/	"	12	"	
" "	" 8¼ ℔s Shot	4½d	"	1	4¾	
" "	" 180 feet 3 in Plank	16/	1	5	7	
" "	" 1 Family Bible ℔4		.	16	8	
" "	" 1 Uncle Tom's Cabin ℔5		1	"	10	
" "	" 1 Key to " "		"	3	1½	
" "	" 1 Shew Plate & Die ℔6		1	5	"	
" "	" 12 Ash Oars 205 feet	5d	4	5	"	
"	" 12 Prs Calf Boots (omitted in July)		5	"	"	
" "	" 3 Umbrellas for		.	14	2	
" 23	" Cash advanced to J Spry		"	13	0	
" "	" 38 ℔s Yds Bl. Cotton	6½	1	"	10	
			£36	5	11¼	

Acct. Current of Kaw Mendi
Mission with Boutte Factory
Sept 30/53 to Feb. 24/54.

A Copy of Mendi
Missions Acct Current
With Boutte Factory
From Oct 1853 to Feby 1854

Kaw Mendi Mission

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Dr. To Berthi Factory Chas. Heddle in Charge of G. Gathan

1854					
Feb.	To Balance of a/c rendered		105	4	6
March 4	" Repairing 2 Boats	1 10 "			
7	" 3 Tons Rice	24 " "			
20	" 1 Barrel Coal Tar	" 16 8			
"	" 20 Bus: Rice	4 " "	30	6	8
April 4	" 4 Large Mat	" 10 "			
12	" 1 Iron pot 9 lb	" 1 6			
17	" 1 Covered Basin	" 3 9	"	15	3
May 2	" 20 Bus: Rice	4 " "			
"	" 2 Empty Puncheon	2 5 "			
" 5	" 1 Neptune 4½ lb	" 13 6			
"	" 1 pcs. 1 Shipe	" 9 6			
"	" 1 " Jaffetee	" 9 "			
	" 8½ lb. Tobacco c/f	" 8 6			
15	" 3 dozen Woollen shirt	4 10 "			
	" 10 do Double red Caps	3 2 6			
	" 2 Cups with Cover	" 1 6			
	" 6 dozen spr. pkt. knife	1 7 "			
	" 4 Stone Jug 4 Gallons ea	" 16 "			
	" 4 do do. 1 Gal. ea	" 4 "			
	" 1 Brass Kettle 6 lb	" 12 "			
	" 6 Bottles Porter	" 6 "			
	" 6 Serge Shirt	1 16 "	21	0	6
May 23	" 12 Single red Caps	" 3 1½			
24	" 5 Bus: Salt	" 10 "			
25	" 6 do do	" 12 "			
	" 6 Blue Plates	" 1 9			
	" 1 Large Covered Basin	" 3 6	1	9	4½
	To amount carried over	£	158	16	3

1857	To amount brought over				158	16	3½
May 25th	" 1 small Covered Basin	"	"	7			
	" 1 Quart Mug	"	"	9			
	" 1 pint do	"	"	2½			
27	" 1 lb. Cloth	"	6	"			
31	Good Hope Mission Balance	44	6	6	44	14	0½
June 1	" 1 Bale 80 pcs. Blue Baft	42	6	8			
	" 25 pcs. 30 in. Satin Stripe	11	11	10			
	" 25 " " " "	8	2	6			
	" 6 dozen Woollen Shirt	9	18	"			
	" 3 do Cravat	1	2	6			
	" 3 do Serge Shirt	9	"	"			
	" 1 Silk Umbrella	"	15	"			
	" 3 dozen W. M. Basin	1	2	6			
	" 4 do Mugs	1	1	3			
3	" 1 large Tin Case	"	12	"			
	" 6 Iron Bars	"	9	"			
	" 4 do Pot 60 lb.	"	11	"			
15	" 80½ lb. Iron pot (Damaged)	"	6	8½			
26	" 2 pcs. denims 66 yds @ 9	2	9	6			
29	" 3 " Rouralls	"	12	"	89	9	5½
July 6	" 7 Fathoms ½ in. Rope	"	1	"			
7	" 1 Neptune 6½ lb.	"	19	6			
10	" 1 striped lb. Cloth	"	7	6			
17	" 3 yds Blue Woollen	"	12	6	2	0	6
Augt 7	" 10 Bus. Rice	3	"	"			
15	" 35 lb. Tobacco	1	0	10			
17	" 1½ yd. Blue Woollen	"	7	6			
22	" 2 piece s Stripe	"	16	"			
	" 2 Cravat	"	2	"			
	" 3 pcs. Maddapolams		12				
	" ½ Gross Pipes	"	3	"			
	" 11 lb. Tobacco	"	11	"			
	" 2 lb. Basin 4/- 2 lb. lb. Beads 6/-	"	10	"	7	2	4
	In amount carried Forward	£			302	2	7½

1854	To amount bot. forward		302	2	7½
Aug. 22	" 2 Plate 1 Gall Rum 5/-	" 5 6			
	" 7 lb. white beads	" 8 9			
	" 1 Bot Wine 1/9 1 Salt Cellers	" 2 "			
23	" Earthenware	" 2 6			
	" 6 Plates 2/6 1 lb. Bead 1/3	" 3 8			
26	" 3 Blue Basin	" 3 9			
	" 1 Box 5 Gross Pipes	1 10 "			
	" 2 Colored Jug	" 2 6			
	" 1 Country Cloth	" 2 6	3	1	2
Sep. 19	" 2 Kegs Salmon	1 5 "			
20	" 6 lb. Nails	" 4 "			
21	" 10 Bus. Rice	3 15 "			
26	" 4 pieces 1 Stripe	1 14 "			
	" 1 Serge Shirt	" 6 "			
	" 22 lb. Tobacco	" 18 4			
	" 1 Pr. M Boots	" 12 "			
	" 1/2 dozen W.M. Basin	" 4 6			
	" 1 Pr. W.M. Boots	" 4 6			
	" 6 Long Cutlasses	" 9 "			
	" 3 Turkey Red Hdkfs	" 3 "			
	" 3 Bottles Rum	" 3 9			
	" 3 lb pipes	" 1 6			
	" 1 Bottle Port Wine	" 3 6			
	" 1 do. Sherry do	" 2 6	10	6	7
			315	10	4½
	Omitted March 24th 1854				
	To 3 Puncheons in shooks		3	6	"
	To amount carried over		£318	16	4½

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1857	To Amount brought Over		318	16	4½
	Contra. Cr.				
March 1st	By 3 door Latches	" 2 6			
	" Over charges	" 4 "			
15	" 3 Grats	" 7 6			
Sep 29	" 194½ Galt Palm oil	14 11 9			
	" 77 do do do	5 15 6			
	" House	268 14 9½			
May 12	" 12 Cullasses	" 9 "			
	" 3 pcs. Prints	3 1 1			
22	" 106 yds "	3 6 8			
Aug 8	" 210 feet Feather edge Board	1 15 4			
14	" 11¾ lb. Pork	" 14 8¼			
21	" 2 pairs spectacles	" 5 "			
	" 14 sheet Tin	" 7 "			
26	" 250 feet 2in Lumber	2 1 8			
	" 1 Pail 25 lb. Lard	1 5 "			
	" 1 Axe & Helve	" 8 "			
	" 3 lb. Lard	" 3 "			
28	" 1 Geography atlas	" 4 2			
	" 1 Websters Dictionary	" 2 "			
Sep. 12	" 2 pairs Boot	" 15 "			
27	" 1 " Red Boot	" 7 6			
30	" 237 feet 1½ inch Plank	1 15 8			
	Sundry Overcharges	5 17 11½			
	Profit & Loss to Balance	" 12 5¾	314	5	11
	Balance Carried Forward	£	4	10	5½

1854	To Balance Brot. Forward			4	10	5½
Oct. 2	" 3 Iron pot 24 h.		" 4 "			
3	" 6 Cut Iron pot		6 " "			
	" 50 h. Tobacco 3/6		1 17 6			
	" 72 lb Basin		1 19 "			
	" 6 small Basins		" 3 6			
	" 6 dozen Dred. Cap.		1 17 6			
	" 1 Pce Ticken 46¾ yds		1 15 0¾			
	" 3 " Blue drill 101 yds		3 15 9			
	" 3 pieces Denims 126 yds 9		4 4 10½			
	" 2 dozen Blue Edge Plate 5/		" 10 "			
	" 1 Cover Basin		" 2 6			
7	" 5 Pair shoes	8/6	2 3 9			
9	" Cash omitted 15th May		" " "			
"	" to Mr Burton		2 " "			
10	" 22½ lb. Tobacco	10	" 18 9			
13	" 40 Bus: Salt		5 " "			
14	" 20 Plank 157 feet 3¾ inch		4 18 5¼			
20	" 2 dozen Plates	3/3	" 6 6			
	" 1 do do	2/9	" 2 9			
	" 1 do Mug		" 7 6			
	" 1 do do		" 6 "			
	" 2 do do	3/6	" 7 "			
	" 1 do Cover Basin 3 inch		" 15 "			
	" 1 do do do 2 "		" 18 "			
	" ½ do Cover do 1st "		" 12			
24	" 2 Bot. Rum		" 1 9			
26	" 32 lb. Tobacco	10	1 6 8			
28	" ½ Barrel Flour		1 9 2	44	1	1½
	To amount carried over		£	48	12	5

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1857	To amt Brot. over				48	12	5
Oct. 30	" 6 lb. Pitch		"	4 "			
	" 4 lb. Old. Rope			2 "			
	" 5 pcs. S Stripe		2	" "			
	" 2 " Jn. Baft		1	" "			
	" 1 Iron pot		"	1 "			
	" 12 Basin		"	9 "			
	" 1 Bot absenthe		"	3 "			
	" 9 Cotton Hdkfs		"	5 8	4	4	8
Nov. 1	" 1 Keg Powder 10		"	10 "			
7	" 50 lb. Tobacco		1	17 6			
14	" 40 Bus. Salt		4	10 "			
	" 2 Oil Gal		"	5 "			
15	" 13½ lb. Beads	11	"	14 7½			
24	" 6 Bus. Salt		"	15 "	8	12	1½
Dec. 2	" 55 lb. Iron pot		"	10 "			
8	" 40 Bus. Salt		4	10 "			
	" 4 doz 10 lb Basin		1	16 "			
	" 2 " Plates		"	8 "			
28	" 90 doz. Red. Caps		6	5 "			
	" 4 " Comforters		1	5 "	14	14	"
	To amount Carried Forward		£		71	3	2½

1854	To Amount Brot Forward		£		71	3	2½
	Contra Cr.						
Oct. 11	By 7 lb. Lard	7/		7	"		
23	" 127 Gals Palm Oil	1/10	11	1	10		
	" 1 Empty Puncheon		1	2	6		
27	" 2 Axe & Helve		"	16	"		
	" 1 Patent Iron Drill		"	16	8		
	" Order of Mr A. W. Hanson		8	2	3¼		
Nov. 30	146 Gallons Palm Oil		13	7	8		
	1 Empty Puncheon		1	2	6		
	1 Pair Red Shoes		"	7	6		
Dec. 14	4 Window Sash, Glazed,		1	"	"		
	1 Pc. Print 36½ yd.	9½	1	2	9¾		
	1 " Muslin 32½ yd.		1	6	10		
	1 Palm leaf Hat		"	2	6		
	Provission & Book, with						
	Commission for G Nathan		23	"	11		
	1 Box Seidlitz Powder		"	8	8		
	1 Jar 8 lb. Butter	1/8½	"	13	8		
	Masons Work 3 days		"	6	9		
22	260 feet Board		1	19	"		
	Cash Charged Wrong ought						
	not to Charge to Mr Mission		2	"	"		
	Overcharges on Salt		1	"	"	70	5 1
	Balance due				£	5 18	1½

Entered
Burthe Lady
Dec 31st 1854

G. Nathan
Entered for Mr Hadale

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Mendi Mission to Revd J. C. Zeppt

1834 To Wm H Lynch

Feb 14th	1 Tin 7/4 Gls Paint Oil @ 5/-	1-16-3
"	1 "	1-16-3
"	1/2 doz Bot Pickles	-6-
"	3 pairs Lead Horse 1/2/4 2/8	8-6
	1 pair Stockings	2-6
	£	4-9-6

Settled for Zeppt
W H Lynch

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Rev. G. Whipple -

Dear Sir - Send a few lines to my Br I have written a little that perhaps you will like to read. perhaps copy. - You are at liberty to read the one & half sheet Especially the latter portions, of both. after which you will oblige all a great favor - to envelope & send to the address of E. D. Cole Roseoe Winnebago Co. Ills. the entire package Your Obt. J. G. Cole

Scholarships. Say to Bro Tefft, & others, privately not to speak of or ask for any more Scholarships, because the friend will only be disappointed. We have many now that have been on hand more than a year, & not filled yet. And more, you know, are constantly coming. The letters I write, going home with my Wife, will bring in many yet — so that more than we shall use for some time, will come in, without any more effort. I know it is an easy way to raise money, but if we can't name the children, it will react on us, heavily.

But why can't we name the children? only because at Mo Zoffan, & Good Hope they will not take many children, without special directions from you — I have urged, & urged, to fill up our name, at once, in the new Schools, but they are afraid — Brooks, of course will give a number but not all. I have sent him, unless you direct him to do so. I think you better do so — for it is but little more trouble to take care of 50, than 25 children. And so at Good Hope —

Of the friends in America, we had not given their names, because our School at New Mendi was full, & we had been disappointed in getting new ones before, but as soon as our new Schools were opened, we should use up all the names we had, & many more — but now, if they will not take children, it will work much evil.

At Mthonyt, I have nearly 100 here, I shall continue to take, & use up all the names I can. I do the best we can for them. I have given 6 new names within a week —

Please write about this, to all, that we may work together — A word from you would make us of one mind —

We are all out of Umbrellas. I need a box
first now - I can sell them fast - but
before a box can get here, the dry season will
be on. & then they are not so ready - but they
will keep - Send a box to the General Store
Cape Town, as soon as possible -
Have some of a good quality -

I am pressed, to accommodate, by many
kings to send for a Dog for them. The more
They will give almost any thing for a large dog
Should Mefinnaiis becoming out, they
would bring 3 or 4 good large dogs,
of hardy hunting breed - & they
would sell, at a large profit
quick -

I would not go over $50 or 60 for one -
But act your judgment in this thing
There is nothing wrong in it - It would be
a benefit to the country, to get a
larger breed of dogs here -

2 or 3 dogs, in Stock, would be a
blessing to the people -

I could sell Natch for $50 - but I can't part
with him - His health has been excellent -
but sick as I expected he would be -

Your's Geo Thompson

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G. Thompson Geo Thompson
Acc: 1/24/54

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Invoice of Goods in Boom Falls Station Store.

			£		
45. Yds. Print.	@ 9d		1	13	9
1/2 Doz. Combs.	@ 1/3			1	3
1. " Pad Locks.	@ 3/6			3	6
1. " Do.	" 3/3			3	3
1. " Pocket Glasses.	" 5/10			5	10
1 1/2. Gross Screws.	" 4/-			6	0
5. Door Latches.	" 6			2	6
2. Stock Locks.	" 1/3			2	6
2. Locks with Bolts.	" 1/6			3	0
7. Iron Door Bats.	" 7			4	1
2. Doz. Shirts.	" 1/6		1	16	0
1. Doz. Iron Spoons.	" 3/6			3	6
500. Needles.	" 9/-			3	0
2. Razors.	" 1/6			3	0
1. Doz. Pit Saw Files.	" 4/6			4	6
7. Iron Bats.	" 1/6			10	6
1 1/2 Doz. Cutlasses.	" 6/3			9	5 1/2
19. White Shirts.	" 1/3		1	3	9
8. Flick Shirts.	" 1/6			12	0
22. Girls Dresses.	" 10d			18	4
4. Pcs. H. Sheeting 2 Do. A. Shirting.	" 4 1/2		3	17	0
34. Chimise & Dresses.	" 1/-		1	14	0
10. Shirts & 10 Pants.	" 4/-		2	0	0
1. Doz. Scarlet Cravats.	" 9/6			9	6
5. Papers Fish Hooks.				13	0
6. Pcs. Satin Stripe.	" 6/-		1	19	0
1 1/2. Doz. Rain Shirts.	" 8/-		2	4	0
10. Pcs. Blue Baft.	" 1/7		5	5	10
6. " Satin Stripe.	" 8/6		2	13	0
3. Doz. Red Caps.	" 6/3			18	9
1/2 " Best Rain Shirts.	" 6/-		1	10	0
6. Cotton Umbrellas.	" 4/8		1	8	0
6. Pcs. Hm. Sheeting.			3	13	6
8. Do Mx. Shirting.			4	3	0
1. Doz Pad Locks.	" 13/2			13	2
5/12. " Cast. Steel Hoes.	" 35/-			14	7
9/12 " Calf Shoes. Each.	" 6/3		2	16	3
1. " Russet Shoes "	" 5/5		3	5	0
4. " Mugs 24/1/6 12/3/9 12/4/6			1	1	3
4. Iron Pots.				11	0
1 1/12 Doz. Door Latches. Each.				4	5
1 Doz. Chest Lock	" 4/6			4	4
		£	51	7	2

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Amount Brought forward.			51 " 7 " 2
1. Doz. Pocket Locks.	@ 4/		3. 9
1. " Ar. Sc.	" 4/		3. 0
2. Papers Screws.	" 1/5		2. 10
1. " Narrow Butts.	" 1/2		1. 6
4. lbs. Toilet Soap.	" 9		3. 0
2. Pcs. Satin Stripes.	" 8		13. 6
1. Brass Kettle.	" 12/		12. 0
1. Pc Taffety.	" 9		6. 0
10. Yds. Blue Drill	" 9		7. 6
1. Pc Hdkfs.	" 10/4		10. 4
Total amount of goods on hand -		£	54. 9. 9

Mission House, Mt Tappan
Boom Falls Station 30 June 1864

John Brooks.
C. of B. F. M. S.

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Report of Mendi Mission General Store
from March 13th to June 30th 1854

Amount received into General store, as near as I can calculate it from the confused state in which things were found at the time of opening the books of the Mission at this Station, together with J. Eggidio's bill of Feb 18th to June 5th 1854	£ 658	19	0

N.B. The goods from New York are reckoned at the cost price,

M. M. General Store, has furnished to Good Hope Station from March 13th to

June 30th, in cash & goods — —	138	15	6¼
To Rev. Mendi Station " " "	159	4	1¾
" Mr Tappan " " " "	98	14	9
Amount sold to N. Nathan	21	9	4
Expenses of F.S. for transportation of goods &c	18	1	2½
Amount of Stock on hand July 1st	321	3	6¾
	752	8	6¼

In the above, the percentage charged to each station is added

I do not pretend that the above is exactly correct, but it is as near as I can get it, a statement of the affairs of the mission, There being a great amount of property at Rev Mendi that has never been entered on the books of the General Store, neither has it ever to my knowledge been charged to that Station,

There is also about 50 or 60 pounds due to the Mission from N. Nathan.

Also the Mission is now owing J. Eggidio about 20 pounds. Respectfully submitted

D. W. Burton.

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Quarterly Report of Good Hope Station
for the quarter ending June 30th 1854

Amount pd for Carpenter work	12	8	11
" " " Mason "	6	6	0
" " Labours & Food for same	28	9	1
" " Blacksmith bill of last qr	1	13	0
" of Tools & Materials	15	4	9
" " Family Expences, including food and clothing for 6 native children	33	3	4
" " Mission Presents		12	11
" " Curiosities pr Rev. D. W. B. & R. T.	2	3	2
£	99	16	2

(About 60 pounds of the above paid in goods at our retail price £ 16-6-9 in cash, and the remainder at our usual percentage charged each station by the General Store.)

Stock on hand July 1st in Good Hope Station Store, at the price charged to the Station	54	13	0
Goods sold to Rev. A. W. Hanson, for which he has not yet paid,	5	17	9
£	60	10	9

Good Hope Station has received from the General Store during the quarter	97	10	2¼
Also Lumber from Kaw Mende	9	0	0
£	106	10	2¼

All of which is respectfully submitted,-

D. W. Burton
In charge at Good Hope

AM. MISS. ARCHIVES
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Boom Falls Station, Micmac Mission
McDaffpane, January 1st 1853

To Rev. George Whipple.
Cor. Sec. of the A. M. Association.
&c. &c. &c.

My dear Brother.

The ushering in of a new year reminds me of a duty which I owe to some one, and we as a mission having no Cor. Sec. to receive my offering, I present it to you.

In letting the old year slip from our hold, I confess, to my own mind there are many sad reflections. So imperfect are all our efforts, so short and narrow are the views we take of cause and effect, and so indifferent are we usually to the relations our actions hold to the effects produced by them, the improvement of those around us, and, especially the eternal destiny of thousands, that almost any view, though imperfect from the effect back to the cause, or from the present, unfruitful in much of the good we could desire, back to the time of opportunity slighted, or but partly improved, or to the time when the wrong chord was struck, will awaken deepest feelings. Such feelings now fill my heart, while I am disposed to excuse myself, as is quite natural, from much blame, on the ground of having too much labor and too little counsel. If there is any circumstances which call most loudly for the Christian band, of sending by two and two, those in which we are situated, are the circumstances. I am every day more and more convinced, that we should never depart from this rule, that we should not regard our stations manned untile we can have two efficient male missionaries at each. Christ's plan in this respect should be our plan. Nothing short can secure success.

While I would urge on you the necessity of promptly supplying your stations with at least two missionaries each, I would have the same christian rule govern us in opening our stations. We should be sufficiently cautious in enlarging our field, not to pass beyond a reasonable probability of having them supplied with necessary help. Neither of our stations can be regarded as fully opened. With one missionary at a station we can hardly expect half the results except in the matter of expence, which would reasonably be expected to follow a very ordinary effort by two. One unacquainted with the circumstances connected with the opening of Boom Fall & Good Hope and of the preparations in progress to open Wela & Mt Bwavi; viewing our stations so poorly manned would be ill qualified to judge of our faith in fellowship, and division of labors or in the Saviour's plan of sending by "two and two;" but a knowledge of those circumstances, I am sure would remove all doubts, and place our motives in a favorable light. We have had good and sufficient reasons to expect to be supported in the matter of numbers. Two years ago who would have thought that so soon, Mendi Mission could not man even three stations. Indeed we are able to man but two. When I left the Boom two years ago, on account of war, our prospect was that we could man three well and half man a fourth, (or allow that fourth to go home to his mother.) Now that large company have scattered in part, so that we have, we confess, extended our labors beyond our strength. Those yet in the field are not blameable for this unfortunate event, which being wholly unexpected was unprovided for. And, if it had been expected & provided for, as we have supposed by not extending our labors, it would have been scarcely bettered. Too many in one place would create too much friction for successful labor. This could be scarcely a less evil than that our present misfortune of undertaking too much.

Besides the ordinary inducements to open new stations, one has chosen, which has had great weight on my mind, I have reference to the jealousy of the chiefs and people, especially when they have been divided by war. I may have erred in allowing this to have so much weight, but being as I have been for two years, under its influence, it cannot be otherwise than that it should have some effect. I think I may, with justice to my associates who know these jealousies, say, that I have their sympathies; and that they feel more, or less the force of these circumstances. As Mr Bwavi and Boom Falls are on the two opposite sides of the late war, it seems that, without Mr Bwavi Boom Falls station must suffer much from a new outbreak, which is often threatened: besides in case we can fully man both, it will give us an influence in the Boom, and over the contending and jealous parties, which can be used to great advantage both in time of war and peace. With this view, I for one, feel that without Mr Bwavi this stations prospect are beclouded, but with it all is as fair and bright as we can expect.

This same jealousy in addition to other all important reasons, urges us to do all in our power, on the South side of the Boom at this place. Here is a center of influence created by natural causes chiefly, the Boom river breaking up into frequent rapids, obstructs navigation above this locality. At this place then, the colonial trade and the interior trade center. By the laws of the district, colonists can go no further to traffic, and by the fact that goods are always to be found here of some sort, to exchange for produce ~~and causes being in the hands of traders~~ the interior traders seldom go lower down for goods. These circumstances collect together a much ~~larger~~ larger population than is to be found in other districts, and constitute it a three fold field of labor, the colonists with Bibles & prayer-books, the "Strangers" from the interior and the natives.

Sumbwea Mo Bungo ~~should be split Mo Chungo pitsa~~ ~~and stipa~~ Tisiama Mo Toogi it this place should be regarded as one station, and under one set of missionaries, who should reside at Mo Tappan, In each of these places I feel, and not I alone, but ~~do~~ ~~and with it be too sanguine for others, I will say I feel~~ that we must have a school, I was led to this conviction nearly two years ago, and am free to say that my experience and better knowledge of the field has confirmed me in the belief, that this plan is the plan for this place, I am sure it would work well in other places, but none better than in this, I do not take the responsibility of saying, that the boarding school should not receive the chief attention, of some of our stations, nor would I propose that this should give no attention to a small boarding school, but I do most confidently express it, as my deliberate, mature conviction, that this station should strike, a master blow for the people, the, whole people, such a blow as free, common school only can do, While other stations may, and should provide teachers, and native preachers, the peculiar work of this is to raise up a people to appreciate their labors, and I am sure you will agree with me in this plan being, admirably adapted to such an end.

I have before said that this district is to be regarded as a center of influence, that natural causes in part make it what it is these same causes will always exist, making this a perpetual center, the natives of this region, brought up under the influence of trade, will be more, or less given to that calling, Trading is a plausing business, and calls those who engage in it to wander from place to place, These circumstances indicate, with unerring certainty to the peculiar work to be done, The sending of such who are to act such

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an important part in the future, present the strongest motives to labor mainly, for their elevation and conversion. These youths are not only to form the largest class of traders, but they are to hold the influence, wealth, and government of this country. The leading families, or portions of them, of several petty divisions of native tribes, as well as the principle families of Bonupey and Lorbor are located here. We must undertake in earnest their education. Nothing is in the way to prevent, or check our doing all we could reasonably expect, and a tide of influences is setting directly to this important portion of our field. On this tide ~~float our~~ graceful bark, with sails filled with the emotions of a warm and hopeful heart, bearing us along the tide stream. Our only fear is to trample speed for our strength, but to check the only motive power, over which we have control, would do violence to the life and pleasure of labor, and lay ourselves liable to contract fatal discouragements.

With these preliminary remarks I will proceed at once to inform, what has been done, with our hopes and prospects.

The main effort of the year, has been to build good and substantial building for the station, a plan of which, with discription and other particulars, I have given in a former communication. In this effort we have progressed slowly, under disadvantages you are little prepared to take into consideration, without special reference to them. This region, has nearly all been, within a few years, under cultivation, so that timber is scarce, and difficult of access. Only in tangled swamps and rocky ravines, can timber be found. Even the poles for small rafters, we have been obliged to go a mile and a half for, and then to the spot, on the shoulders and heads of men hired for, 15 cts. per day. The cutting of these poles has cost an additional expenditure of cutting miles of foot path in the jungle. Saw logs have been got, at an equal disadvantage, after almost a

fruitless effort of days, we have had to erect our saw pits where we fell the trees, & convey our lumber full 1½ miles on the heads of the natives. Flooring joists, and other planks, will be difficult to convey in this way, rather will be expensive. Shells for lime cost at Goodrich's Six cents a bushel, the expense of transporting here, cost 10 cents more, making sixteen in all. One third is lost in burning at least, and the expense of burning is about one cent, which will make a bushel of shell lime cost, not less than 25 cts, a bushel. This lime is worth not more than one fourth as much as good stone lime. Roofing is another bill of great expense. It matters not what we choose, Tin, Iron, Tile, Slate, Shingles, or boards rather, are expensive, perhaps the Shingles & boards cost, are in the end, most expensive. I had hoped to be able to provide myself with boards for roof, but I find that the logs cut for the lumber are too hard to be sawed. I hope to make out for a year or two with boards, when the cleats may be removed and Tin put on. This will give time to provide, and not add much to the expence - All the materials stone, bricks, sand, clay, water & wood for burning lime, must be got to the spot in this slow, expensive, and what is more than all, perplexing, trying way. You will see from what has been said, the necessity of a gang of men, and when you take into consideration the fact, that the work is all new to them, and that they are constantly changing, you will be able to form some estimate of the trial of superintending such a work. I should have included in this ground of estimate, the fact of laggyness. You have to think of the laziest set of ignorant, shameless idlers imaginable, to have in your mind, what we have to try as daily.

While we have done all we could, for a future Mission home, we have not lost sight of our bodily wants. It is now harvest time. Our cocoa has all been gathered, and I am confident, that a finer, or a larger lot, was never laid out to view between Gambia & Cape

mount. Old farmers from the colony tell me, that they never saw its equal, and by their estimate of its value in the colony (and they are only three weeks from Freetown) it is worth the handsome sum of £59.15.0 or $286.80. Though I believe it would fetch that sum in Freetown, I do not value it here at only £19.10.0. Neither of these estimates include the seed for next years crop, which is worth more than 5£. The cassada in the field, which we harvest as we use it, from day to day, I value at not less than 15£. Besides these, we have some fruits and vegetables and a fine variety of young trees. One item more connected with our farming enterprise, though it may be regarded a trifle, is worthy of notice in gratitude to the Giver of all good. Our stock consisting now of twelve goats besides supplying me with milk, have increased in value £3.5.0 though the original stock of four, was worth but £1.10.0.

I attribute our success in the culture of coco, to the method of planting & after management. The custom is, to plant in holes which are covered, and usually hilled at once. The method I have adopted is, to remove all wild, troublesome roots from the soil, this done, the ground is laid off in drills, with the hoe. The coco being carefully cut, is planted in these drills, and slight ridges raised over the seed, in the doing of which the surface is all well dug up. The weeding is done by hand, and all the sprouts, or roots from the seed are carefully removed, ~~but one~~ A short time before the tops are full grown, I hill well the ridges, which again stirs the soil, & check the superabundence of top, and disposes it to root. I think to improve this plan by planting in beds of double rows.

The natives and colonists, though they have given attention to coco, have not come up to the mark. By fear the labor, I often told them God would pay in harvest, in proportion to labor. They have been forced to acknowledge the truth of this remark, while they have been

truly astonished at the vast difference in crops. It is but reasonable to expect progress on their part, next year.

I have done nothing with cotton, or corn this year, for want of time, the Cotton seed you kindly sent, does not do well but will, I doubt not, when planted two, or three years.

Our School has made commendable progress, the whole number of pupils is 12. 2 have been with me one & a half years & others one & a fourth years. All of which now read in easy reading have committed to memory a part of the Scripture Catechism, a part of the addition, and Multiplication tables, and have learned to sing a several times. 2 others who have been with me 11 months, read in easy words. 1 who has been with me only 5 months, is reading in words of three letters. All the others compare well with those specified, in proportion to time. The most of them hear both English very well, and a few talk a little.

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We have had some change in teachers but not from any difficulty on the part of teachers, or the Station. At present we have a good man and his wife with us, both of whom give their time to the school. 3½ hours are appropriated to study & 4 hours to sewing and other useful labor.

The School at Mt Gbango is a recommendation of the plan for Schools at the towns about the station, exceeding our most sanguine expectations. It was opened August 1st. 3 now read in easy words, and spell words of 2 syllables, 1 is reading in words of three & four letters. Only 2 who entered the school in October are in the Alphabet. What can we ask for more? If this is not an argument in favor of schools for the people, where shall we find one? The pupils of this school are all punctual in attending meeting on the Sabbath, and are as quiet and orderly as children usually are.

That it was my desire to open, on new years, schools at Sumbwea and Tissanna, but I see no reasonable hope of doing so very soon, perhaps not before March. No reasonable effort will be regarded too great on my part, to effect such an end, at the earliest possible date. Could we get into our assistants hearts, the idea of working for Christ & eternity, and not for money. That all time was for use, and not for abuse, that time lost, an opportunity lost, were both eternal losses, we could most effectually carry out the plan of Schools for the people, with but little extra labor on our part, as it is I am confident that could I have the aid of one single man and a good teacher and his wife who could teach School & sewing with last, but not least, one of your best ordained Missionaries, Schools could be well sustained at Sumbwea Mr Gbungo Tissana Mr Zogi and Mr Jappan.

I would divide the labor thus, The teachers wife should assist me in the Mr Jappan School or take it when I wished to visit any of the other Schools, which I would visit often and unexpectedly. Her husband should be supplied with a small canoe and cross the river to Sumbwea and teach a School there from 9 to 12 then go to Mr Gbungo and teach there from 1 to 4, The other young man should go to Tissana and teach from 9 to 12 and thence to Mr Zogi from 1 to 4. Each of these male teachers I would pay if well qualified, and faithful, 2£ per month to find their house, the female teacher I would pay 20/- were both teachers married men I would have the wife of one go over the river, and teach sewing to all who would attend, old and young, bond and free, to work is a part of the lessons we have to teach this people. Indeed, and most truly, has it been said, that our work as Missionaries is but half done without lessons of labor.

Connected with each of these schools I would have public prayers daily, and an exercise on the Sabbath, besides one on a week day.

Now my dear Brother, I, with confidence, submit this plan to your judgment, hoping you will supply the arguments grounded on the economy of the plan, and the influence of these school in the very heart of this people. What a "line upon line," "precept upon precept," example on example it would be to them. May the Lord speed the day when we shall have it matured and in successful operation.

Meetings have been sustained at Mo Gbungo for the last six months with a good degree of interest, Dont understand to mean of this. If the attention of a few is arrested enough to catch one or two Adeus only, it is to be regarded a good degree of interest in such a place as this, no more than this would I convey. It is encouraging to see a heathen man or woman, catch a single thought of God and of their souls. One single idea of Sin impressed however faint on a heathen mind, is a great victory gained, worthy of our best efforts. It is to be remembered that this people have no higher notion of sin than personal injury, that is by regard thieft, an exchange of property, honorable always, and in all worthy of praise if dexterously done, and only a misfortune, or foolish act when not done so, To steal well and fortunately, is regarded a fortune, a trade, a virtue worth laboring for from youth to manhood. Fathers will apprentice their sons to a notorious thief, to learn the art. Passion is a misfortune when it cannot be gratified a virtue when it can. Female virtue is an article of trade, bought and sold by Fathers, Mothers, brothers, sisters, husbands and other relatives, with or without the consent of party most deeply interested. I know of females at Mo Gbungo who are not permitted to have one they may call a husband

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husband, by their parents, because a life of prostitution is the
source of more gain, than lawful concubinage, though some of the
object to such a life. Falsehood, deceit, and lies are praiseworthy in
all who tell them well and successfully. Drunkenness is a mark of
high life. A song is not worth a sing, unless in praise of sin
or full of curses & vulgarity. Prompt and full confession
wipes out all wrong. Even women who profess hope in Christ their
hope is on no stronger rock than this superstition. They fear
not sin, so long as confession sets all right again. I know
of two instances in particular, of converts who have no other
notion of regeneration, than confessing their sins to their
Missionary and be prayed for. Like a true woman, they sin and
hurry to their priest to confess and receive absolution. I refer
to facts, and the ideas this people have of wrong, to show how
much is accomplished when we can get them to think but a
moment on the soul - on God, or eternity.

Let me here support what I have said above by the case
of a Colonist, a native of some property and information, was
educated in a Mission school and long a member of the church
and is now a frequent reader of the Bible. While reasoning with
him of sin and a judgment to come, he confessed that
he was living in adultery with 7 women, but said he "I cant
help it, I live in the country where these things are common,
and temptations are too strong, God is merciful, continued he,
and wills not that any should perish, &c When I see I am going
to die I shall let go of all these, and pray much and God
will forgive, though it be but the eleventh hour."

At Tissanan we have had meetings for some Sabbaths
past with good attendance, At this place there lives a Method

- 1st class leader, father of the trader just referred to, who trades on the Sabbath, and absents himself from meeting, because if he dont trade on Sunday some one else will and he wants to get out of this wicked country so full of temptation, where there are no Church privileges, and again shine a brother beloved in Church in town. A father and a son truly.

Meetings at Mo Tappan have been well attended, but we cannot say much of our prosperity in the Church. I have in a previous letter given particulars of some bitter trials we had of late. At present there are some tokens of true and heart felt repentance on the part of the erring ones referred to. That cause of sin which caused David to cry out "against thee and thee only have I sinned" is a hard lesson to learn, even those in whom we have the strongest hopes. Yet to say that there is none of it would be saying too much. The disadvantages of early education, and the influences of principles, examples and temptations which constantly beset them on every side, with a violence we are poorly able to estimate, partly because we view them with disgust, which we have to early education & the novelty of those influences as well as established christian principle, and partly because we can have but a partial knowledge of those influences until we know perfectly the language and customs of this people. Such considerations prepare us to excuse much in converts here, which would be inexcusable in a christian community. And give fuller credit for expressions of repentance. While we should be faithful in charging home to the conscience all sins, and watch with jealous care every act of our converts, yet I do feel that we can not be to careful to credit and fan the first kindling of repentance, to allow them for a few, though gross sins, to rush from us to greater excesses and throw away a life, which might be useful, is I think an error.

4 that. I would not advocate too great indulgence, for fear of the example and influence on others, but would recommend what I practice, full every disposition to repentance, with confidence and encouragement so long as there is hope of reform. It will not do to separate them from us till we make an effort to awaken the inductions of an awaking conscience, but we must keep them by, and with us till we find our efforts to arouse them hopeless.

The interests of our infant church in which are centered our dearest hopes, and to which all our other labors are auxiliary, calls loudly for the undivided services of an Ordained Minister, of deep and zealous piety, and experience in the cause of immortal souls. This will involve the necessity of appointing two missionaries to this station, which should be promptly met, I need not say, that he who preacheth Christ should not be worried and fettered his day in the work, with the cares of this life. In this all agree so far as the head is concerned, but what shall we say of the heart from which flows the actions.

If we keep up our present system of auxiliary labor boarding schools, free schools, agriculture and trade, with but one man at a station, what can we expect but failure? What could a man do in America with a church, boarding school farm & shop, what would the world think of one thus engaged? What would the Church think? Call his congregation ask them what they think? Let us turn this idea end for end, and see how it looks. A minister is called to the charge of a church and his congregation compell him to manage a boarding school, farm and shop in connection with the church, or a school teacher or farmer is engaged by a body of men, are is compelled by them, to preach, teach, provide for a boarding school

manage a farm and shop. How would this look to the party implied? Is it not a strange incongruous mixing of labor, or division of interests? Yet this is just the position your Missionaries occupy here, just the work they are compelled to do. What wonder, then, that some portions of our work are neglected. Such a necessity laid upon us compelles us to a waste of time, of effort, of money, health and of life. I therefore press the wants and claims of this Church to the services of a Minister of the Gospel. By the Church here I do not mean the few now enrolled on the Church register only, but the many waiting without for a call, together with them. They as well as those belong to Christ, He has died for them. They should receive their Master's call, by his chosen messengers the Preachers of the Gospel. Send them them, with their Masters welcome & invitation.

Our other interests as well as the church require such an accession to this station.

Though it may not be expected of me to report to you on the financial concerns of the station, yet I am disposed to do so, knowing your interest in us will excuse any want of conformity to what might be expected, so long as it consists in the multiplication of facts connect with the station.

My total receipts from Mendi Mission General Store with [illegible] 75 pc. to Colonial goods for Mission use direct, and 80 pc. on American and 90 on Colonial goods on sale for the year ending Dec. 30, 1854, have been £387 " 1 " 4¾

Total expences, Produce delivered to Mendi Mission with goods not yet disposed of amounts to £392 " 6 " 3¾

Cred to Acc of Gain & Loss. £5 " 4 " 10

There has been expended for the following objects as follows.

School at Mo Tappan.	24	1	2½
School at Mo Gbungo.	2	11	7½
Mo Gbwavi.	7	11	2¼
Family.	75	18	4¼
Farm.	38	1	¼
Buildings.	97	13	3
Transportation & Travel.	22	13	5½
Mo Tappan.	22	5	3½
J. L. Brooks.	15	11	0
Total.	308	6	4¼

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We have realized from the farm 38 " 7 " 6

Crops not harvested are undervalued at 22 " 0 " 0 Which gives in favor of farm the sum of £ 22 " 6 " 5¾

School includes. Books teachers wages Childrens clothes

Family includes Provisions, Bedding, light & perishable furniture & washing

Mo Tappan includes Hard ware - tools - heavy furniture - Stock, & presents - palavers

J. L. Brooks - Curiosities - Clothing, bedding - Books - Stationary &c -

By calling my own board one fourth of the whole, which is a very high estimate as I eat with the family reserving a few things only to myself, and dividing the other three fourth into fifteen parts the number of the other members of the family, it will be seen thus the board of a scholar is £4 " 10 " 6 add to this now the fifteenth of schools expenses which is £1. 12. 1 we have £6 " 2 " 7 the cost of supporting a child at this station. In this calculation no allowance is made for Buildings.

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less. The disadvantages attending our labors as we are now situated are many.

By the free school plan, with 10 pupils only in a school the cost ~~of above~~ will be only 1/5 the cost of pupils at the boarding school with equal privileges, excepting the domestic, which is not a small item truly.

I wish to say one word about the study of the language. As our stations are now located, we really need two living or one able to take up both the Sherbro and Mendi languages. Your missions have been now nearly, or about twelve years in the country, yet such has been the circumstances under which they have labored, no one has been able to give attention to language. I am satisfied from my efforts to do so, that the use of the common alphabet should not be entertained. The phonetic alphabet of Mr Isaac Pitman, with the use of signs expressive of soft and full, short and long and accented vowels, will be the most useful and appropriate. To give the language that attention we should, one, or two should be appointed by your committee, to this special work, with no other cares but the teaching of three, or four classes, which will occupy not more than two or two & half hours a day. I mention the teaching of these classes because I believe it would be a help to the acquisition of the language. We need some one gifted in language, and having a desire to acquire these in particular, to undertake this work. If I was called to express my opinion as to our present company I should recommend Sister Aldrich to this work. I believe that could she have no cares more than mentioned above, she would succeed well with the Sherbro. Dr. Cole is also inclined to the study of the Sherbro. He will if he can, take up the language this season. We have in prospect the services of one of the best Sherbro teachers I

5 Sheet, in the country. If he succeeds with the plan now formed he will have every facility to be had, but Phonetics, I do wish you would recommend the adoption of one of the phonetic alphabets. We need one now to undertake the Mendi. If I was qualified I should strongly urge to be relieved from cares to undertake it myself. I have made one or two efforts, but press of cares and labor has compelled me to abandon them.

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The english language is spoken to a great extent that we in our Schools, succeed as well without the Mendi and Sherboro as we should with it. but we do need it to impart the knowledge of Christ to the children, and especially the older pitions of the people, no language has the life and strength of native language. Let us educate them in English but give them the gospel in their mother tonge in phonetic letters.

We can get in the Sherboro, many helps in print, or manuscripts, from the colony. the Church have given much attention to this language. The Gallinas, Ballam and Sherboro are different dialects of the same tongue and labor has been bestowed on each of these. The Mendi has been neglected, except a few words in common with others, have been written in specimens of African languages.

There is a wide difference in the articulation of Mendi and Sherboro, the Mendi being soft and difficult of articulation to English tongue, the Sherboro is more harsh. I will give you an example in the translation of the following. "Rum, let us prez God, for hi ia dijidiy good; let us bles God, for hi ia veri good."

Mendi, A wa, ma Ngewa dyte, gbameili Ngewa wa; a mu fiyali gbiji Ngewa ma, gbameili Ngewa hinda yiyi yigbi.

Sherboro. Ha hum ge tayk Hobatoke, Ufu tantenka. wole hobatuke bu ge tayk Hobatoke. ha dji djiwo kelegle.

The sounds in the Sherboro are correct but the divisions of the words I

I am not able to give correct as I have never given attention to the Sherboro, but the Mendi is in both respects correct.

I did attempt the compiling of a Mend primer about two years since but finding it difficult to get or analize a few sounds I had to give it up, I have since discovered the error into which I was lead and mastered the difficulty; One of the difficulties to which I have reference is the first sounds in "Mbap" as Mr Thompson spels it, also in Bungo, Bwavi; they should rather be spelt y Gb; this sound is of frequent occurance in the Mendi in Gbengba (my Mendi name) it occurs twice, the vowels y. e. a are used in the place of each other, under different circumstances, y is used in flattery, prayer & gentle affectionate conversation e in common, careless conversation among equals, a in harsh, commanding, accusing, quarrelling conversation, the corresponding stop vowels are used in the same way I believe, but I have now spent too much time on this subject.

The war! Well what shall I, what can I say of the war than that war is the fruit of the monster we seek to overthrow, and that as long as the tree remaineth we must meet its fruits? When will the day dawn ~~on~~ this land that shall witness no blood shed, no excessive riots, oppressions, or wrongs? Will it not be when the Gospel of the Prince of Peace shall have taken to himself this people to be his people, and they shall have taken Christ to be Lord of all? Here then is our field of labor, at the root of the tree, and though the fruit and limbs fall on us occasionally, we are not to flee, "He that fleeth is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep."

Labor has a powerful influence against war, in more ways than one, and could this people have work provided for them, it would be difficult to get up a war. Provided with work the mind is occupied, wants are supplied without hog, and could a philanthropic planter be located here and employ thirty

or forty hands, it would be a mighty influence against war.

I wonder that the English do not attempt some effort of the kind, as they wish to produce their own cotton & sugar. The colony is not to be compared with this district, as offering inducements to such an enterprise. I am confident it could be made a paying affair at once, and ultimately profitable, while the good effect on the people would swell a treasure in heaven.

War is daily expected. Many amoo starts soon to Boompey to raise an effort against some place & I fear to create difficulties or war between Boompey and Longboo by sending war from Bogo or Njama (interior) to Sagbwama the place where Thompson held his peace meetings. If this should be the result it would be the signal for a general rally between Longboo & Boompey. Boompey are prepared for this by building towns and baracades in Sorbo in time of peace under the pretence of friendship. Ticongo has been at work on the same plan and planted towns, tho' less than the former in her same country. It is to be hoped that this will not be the result.

In closing this already too lengthy article permit me to say that I do feel under the strongest obligations for gratitude and praise to God our Saviour for the preservation of health and life together with this merciful kindness in giving so large a degree of prosperity & success by imperfect and feeble efforts. His watchful care and protection over this station in the midst of enemies of all good calls for loudest praise.

His hand in providence is marked by mystery. The changes in the government by the death of the principle chiefs who were struggling for peace and the succession of warlike men to the government, has caused me to stagger and doubt, but confidence

in our work and Gods purposes of good to us and this people has often revived my sinking hope to trust and confide in Him whose right it is to rule. I would with praise and deep humility acknowledge Gods mercy in permitting me to labor for this people, the difficulties and trials incident to which, dwindle to nothing compared with the privilege of such labor. While I would humbly aspire to offer praise I would with strength of faling abase myself in acknowledging myself all unworthy of the least and humblest service in this cause, I doubt of his mercy and care over my infirmities.

Permit me, out of a grateful heart, calls me to express my gratitude to you as the organ of the A. M. A. who under God have honored me with confidence, cheered me with sympathy, support & love strengthened me by prayers and words of encouragement, for all of which I feel most unworthy. Allow me to add that gratitude to the Com. for their confidence sympathie and support has been one strong link in the chain of reflections and considerations which induced me not to use the liberty kindly granted me of returning to Liberia in 1853.

Your prayers are most earnestly solicited that God may bless our labors and preserve us in the midst of all our trials and dangers.

Your unworthy Missionary

J. Saml. Brooks.

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In all his letters he begs that some regular system may be adopted

Good Hope Jan - 1st 1855

Dear brother Whipple

I have received the package of letters and papers, together with bills of goods sent the 12th of October, and shall send the canoe to Kentown tomorrow for the things. I am surprised that there should be another bill of fishhooks sent at this time, We have a large quantity on hand, that were here when I came on, and but a small part of those sent on last Spring are yet disposed of. Our Prints did not sell till we put them down to 15 cents per yard, or 4 yards for a bar, which is 50 per cent on the original cost, at that price they sell fast, but we ought to have more profit. I wish that I could spend 2 or 3 months helping you to make arrangements for future supplies. We need many things different from what we have which could be easily obtained from the manufacturers by explaining to them what we need. I send you some samples of Blue Baft & Satin Stripe, staple articles of trade in this country. We have to pay for the Baft from 9 to 10 shillings per piece of from 16 to 18 yards by the Bale, for the Satin Stripe 6/s per piece by the bale, (Sterling Money,) Now I am confident that we can get much better goods for a little price by getting from the Manufacturer, you can read my letter to the Sabbath School of Burlington, if you area and forward it with the letter to Rev Wm Salter

We have during the last year purchased and disposed of 5 bales of Blue Baft, 360 pieces, or about 6120 yards for which we have paid £176 pounds thirteen shillings and four pence (£176-13-4) a about fourteen cents per yard. We sell it as fast as it is, for 20 cents per yard. Now I am sure, that a good article of wide shirting could be procured from the Manufactures, finished with the same color as the Blue drills that you send on, that would not cost to exceed ten cents per yard. We could sell it very quick, at 20 cents, and procure all our rice, pay for labor, &c. I regard it as an unnecessary tax on the society to purchase goods of the merchants here, and besides this, it is enough to make a man blush to offer such goods for sale, even to these lazy ignorant Natives. We are nearly out of White cotton cloth. It has sold fast for a few months past. I think it would be well to send on about 2 bales, send that that is good. The wide is best, and only of one kind. Also a few pieces more of Blue and White Drills and Denims. Send a supply of Shirt & Boto buttons 10 lbs White Cotton thread 5 lbs Colored do.

We need more Tin ware, Pans of from 1 to 6 qts, made deep and of heavy tin. I think it would be well to send from 20 to 30 doz. different sizes, all the tin that we have had has sold quick, and for a large profit. Send 20 doz tin Cups, (pint, to quart)

20 doz good Cotton Handkerchiefs. I see that nails were purchased with the last bill of Hardware, but none came

We need some very much, and they cost very high in town. I want some good heavy Harness Leather, to put on our boat oars to keep them from wearing, also a Cooking stove, such an one as those sent on last winter, for the Welsh station, send some more Brick for scouring Knives. I send my reports, Have received none from the other stations, Please send me the New York Tribune, I want more of the common news of the day at home, At Br Thompsons request I shall pay Mrs Green five pounds cash, being a part of some money that Mr Tappan has for her, and here let me beg of you not to publish any more letters relative to the children of the mission, i.e. speaking of any one in particular, or any of their writing, or of Br Green, It puffs them up, and is I think a great injury to them, When papers come from America, the children and Br Green are eager to get the missionary, and search for any thing from them or about them, and I imagine that they think there is no one in the wide world of as much importance as they.

Please send me 3 or 4 pair good Gum Elastic Sus=penders, and some good shoe strings, I would prefer leather ones, but send those that are handy, send 2 doz Spectacles for persons from 30 to 60 years of age you will find my letter very disconnected, and spelled every way but right, As to the first, I have written as I could think of things, and the latter, I do not pretend to spell the English language, so you will know how to excuse me, Very truly your brother in Christ D. W. Bueton,

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. EI-6 B1
FISK UNIV.

For the American Missionary

Jan 1/55

To my Correspondents —

Dear friends — many of you have kindly written to me, expecting answers — I love to write letters — especially to all who take the trouble to notice a poor worm enough to write to him — I always make a rule to answer all — but really, behind, I must beg indulgence for a time — for my life is well nigh crushed out of me by multiplied, arduous cares & labors — It seems almost impossible to find time to write letters, without neglecting necessary business — Be assured I will answer just as fast as I can, & forward as soon as our tardy mails will allow —

I am alone — building a large house, for the Boys — making brick for it — quarrying stone — cutting timber — sawing lumber — burning lime (from oyster shells, brought from Sterlis Island) — working my farm — repairing houses — from 1 to 4 meetings every night — many visitors — all the Workmen to look after, & direct, or things go wrong (for they are unaccustomed to the work) — Rise & buy for 100 children — bil, fish, &c — besides the innumerables — & yet — can't you excuse me, if you do not get an answer to your letter as soon as you expected?

Would the Churches send Labourers, & relieve me of my crushing burdens, I could find time to write.

May the Lord arouse His people — & thrust forth Labourers into His harvest —

Yours crushed Br Geo Thompson

P. S. — The Lord's work is rapidly on yet must hearts of divine grace — souls are converted & flows — The new year opens with rich blessings of His salvation — Pray for us — & look out for Labourers — Pray for Africa — & labor for it — Africa is dying — Pleasant Lib —

Geo Whipple

Br Geo Whipple — My letters are so numerous, & my labors so pressing I thought a note as on the other side might gratify many minds, who are expecting letters from me — perhaps, if you think best —

I cannot write fully to you now — I am at all times, & in all seasons, & amidst all cares — I love my Journal & Wife open for you to read, & copy any thing you wish, & forward — It will give you a full idea of things here. & Jan 1/55 — how we are occupied, & what the Lord is doing —

Truly we have reason for praise to God —

My health is amazing — but how long I can endure such labor is uncertain — O! for Laborers —

Miss Mac D think that Daniel's letter in the C. Herald, may have had some effect to discourage laborers from coming — for why come, if nothing is can be done? —

I infer from Wife's letter, that my Answer was published! — I thought you were to hold it till you heard from me — I did sent my consent to do with it as you thought best. The Lord overrule for good —

We have a new Teacher here, by name of Mr Pitt — a Wesleyan, from Tor — thus far appears well — think of putting Green at a place near Hathor, at the head of this River — The King is to provide house & chapel — & we Teacher & Berks —

The Lord give you wisdom, & help as is necessary

Much love — many prayers — Yours Geo Whipple

Geo Whipple

Geo Whipple

G. Thompson

Jan 1/55

Rec'd Feb 14

Do there have not been sent, we must then — 100 Catechisms & 25 Bibles, & a good supply of ABC & Cards; Primers, & elementary works in beginning to read — We need these here — Greek Testaments — Some good Reading Book for advanced Classes — Yours by first opportunity

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-6952
FISK UNIV.

Lewis Tappan Esqre.

Kaw Mendi Missn.
January 1st 1855

Dear Sir, I have received your kind letter to me of the 24th April last - and I was very glad when I read its contents. The Lord truly is very kind to me and I will ever thank him while I live. The Mission here is reviving, the Spirit of the Lord is working effectually here, though there are some things that can discourage us sometimes, yet we have reason to hope that the Spirit will do its work here. I am very sorry to hear that there are none who are willing to give up their lives for the brethren, we are willing to do the work God helping us, we will labor till God shall see fit to remove us. (About the money that you wrote to me I think its best for you to give the money to the Mission and send an order to Mrs Thompson, to ~~give~~ pay the money here to me, for I don't like to have you send any goods for me for some inconvencies which I cannot write and inform you, but if you see Mrs Thompson she will relate the whole to you.) Please to send my accordion by the first opportunity for I love to play on it - to cheer my heart when I am tried. Give my love to Mrs T. and families

Mr. Green's love to you. Before this reach you, we expect D. V. to be going a little to the interior to form another Station. Pray for us that the Lord may strengthen and support us.
Accept my love and thanks as from a sincere friend
In haste
Sarah M. Green

P. S.
Please send the other to Mr. Avery and oblige
S. M. G.

Sarah M. Green
Abeokuta
Jan 11/55
Recd Mar 14/55
Ans
Apr 22
L. B.

Samples from Burton's letter Jan 1/55

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Samples from Burton's letter Jan 1/55
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Satin Stripes

6/6 Sterling per piece.

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To Rev Geo Whipple
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Dispatch received
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W. J. Shuey

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Rev. W. J. Shuey
Dayton O.
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Rev. C. B. Boynton

Dear Sir With no hesitancy do I, an entire stranger personally, address you upon the subject of which I am constrained to write; but knowing the interest you feel in the cause, and your ability to impart the desired information, I forgo any formality and at once proceed to the subject.

For some years past, the duty of consecrating myself to the missionary cause, and entering upon that holy work, has been deeply impressed on my mind; the Spirit of God has followed with earnest appeals to yield to the call and enter the field without delay but I resisted a long time, until the compliance with that duty appears to be my only safety. Under these impressions I applied to the A. M. B. C. M. through a letter addressed to the Rev. S. B. Treat some two weeks since, and I am now perhaps before that committee as an applicant. But before I get had time to receive an answer from them, I accidentally

came across his [illegible] the Mission Churches [illegible] the Christian Press, with your comments on it; this brought new light upon the subject and I came to the conclusion, if Rev. S. B. Treat could uphold "the sum of all vilanies" I could not, accordingly I make the application to the Missionary Association of which you are (I think) a director, knowing that they discountenance slavery in every relation.

I write to you more particularly to obtain information in relation to the "Free Mission" association, and what is required of an applicant to that Board.

Some knowledge of myself and family is necessary to you before you can reply.- I would state that I am 25 years of age, my wife 26- we have an adopted child 4 years of age. Myself and wife are both Physicians, and practising in this villiage- Mrs. L. is also convinced of her duty to consecrate herself to the work of a missionary, and it was with this object in view that we both studied medicine. We are graduates of the Physio-Medical College of Ohio, of which you are a Trustee. We are also intimate acquaintances of your friend

Prof. Alva Curtis of your city, and to whom we refer you, for any information you may desire concerning us. We have both been professing christians from early childhood, but at present are not members of any church.

We voluntarily withdrew from the M. E. Church some time since, and there being no other with which we can conscientiously unite, we are awaiting an opportunity to join a Congregational Church.

In reference to our mental endowments and acquirements, we respectfully refer you to the above Dr. Curtis; and for a knowledge of our christain walk we refer you to the Rev. W. W. Hendrix of the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church in your city.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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We desire to enter the service of the Board as Physicians. And while I am acquiring a knowledge of the language of the people to whom I am sent I could pursue a course of Theological reading, that I might be ready to enter the ministry as soon as practicable. Mrs. L might be profitably engaged in teaching a girls school. We should however perform such duties as fell to our lot with pleasure, and with an eye single to the Glory of God and the salvation of the heathen. We would prefer Central Africa as the field of our operations, or Japan; but would be

willing to be guided by the direction of the Board.

I think I could readily acquire a knowledge of any language to which I should devote my attention. I have some knowledge of the German, and Mrs. L has paid some attention to French. this knowledge would perhaps be of use to us.

In Theology - we do not entirely agree in opinions. but entertain none of the dogmatical assertions which are not to be supported by the Word of God. The doctrines which we have often heard you promulge, while in Cincinnati, in reference to man duty to his fellow, we believe and try to prac But upon this topic we can write more at a future period. — Supposing you to be prominent in the Missionary work, we would respectfully ask you to present our application to your Breathern, with such recommendation as you may receive from the above named gentlemen; and reply to this as soon as convenient, when I will give you any other information or reference you may desire.

Yours Truely in the cause of Humanity and Religion

David J. Lee

Direct to Perrysville Hamilton Co Ind

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Jerryville Ct
Jan 9/55.

Invoice of goods sent by the Ladies Benevolent Association of Jerryville to Rev George Thompson of the Sandwich Mission

14 Pair of Over Alls	50 cents per pair	$7.00
12 " " Pants	75 " " "	9.00
5 Calico Sack dresses	100. per dress	5.00
2 Shamba dresses	100 " "	2.00
14 Chemises	37 a piece	4.38
15 Sheets	50	7.50
3 Shamba aprons	16	48
1 yds cotton cloth	21	21
3 " of Calico	24	24
		35.81

Private Donations

1 pair of Sheets & pillow cases	by Mrs Guernsey	2.00
1 Linen shirt	" "	1.00
2 Bonnet Crocks	" " "	25
1 pair of pillow cases	by Mrs Gem	37½
1 Chemise	by Mrs E. Gem	62½
1 Calico Coat	" Mrs Cornelia Williams	33
1 White Coat	" Mrs Milo Blakeslee	50
	Mrs Ebenezer Plumb.	2.00
		7.08

35.81 + 7.08 = 42.89 Balance of Bene

A Box. from
Terryville Ct
Advised Jan 7/11.

Merritt Wilson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Kaw Mendi Jan 16/55

Geo Whipple.

Dear Br. as the Boat is going to Cape Hope to take the Doctor, I forward a few letters I had on hand — cannot write to you now —

I have been sick for nearly a week, with a bile on my Arm. It threw me into some fever, & was very distressing but yesterday I began business — & now feel well — & the sore is healing fast

Mr. Moore is treating a case of Leprosy, on one of our boys — it is shocking, at times — but the poor fellow bears it as patient as a lamb — He's a member of the Church

This day, I & Kaw, & Wife go to Mangya, to begin a school, at the head of Mahahoe River —

I tremble some for his success — but must try — the boys here need a more advanced Teacher, & we have one, Wm Pitt a Wesleyan, from Town —

All going on as usual — Must close —

1st Sabbath in this month 8 of the boys joined the church here — & 20, afterward meet weekly for religious instruction — & I have constituted, (as Beale, in Town) a Backslider's Class —

The first meeting 3 attended — last one 5 —

Pitt Labours — Labours — Labour — Labour — Pitt

May the Lord send them speedily —

Your crucified Br George Thompson

Hand to L. Tappan. The $50. given to Sarah, by Avery — has been all been credited to them, in their regular account, as they could not wait to get it from U.S. but wanted things here, frequently, on account of it — we thought it was best, to just give them Cr for the amount — & then charge them every thing they have on that account — [illegible] from, when anything is sent, on account of that [illegible] be straight. — G. Thompson

G. Thompson
New Mendé
Jan 14/55.

& joined Ch. Jan 7 1/55
special Meeting,
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up all Cerry's money

Geo Whipple

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J. S. Brooks & Thompson

AMERICAN MISSIONARY ARCHIVES
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Jan 17/55

Boom Falls Station.

Mo Tappan Jan. 17. 1853.

My dear Brother.

I have recently received a letter from A. J. Graham. Editor of the Cosmotype. on the subject of phonetics. It has been my belief. since I have known anything of the language spoken here that we could not succeed well with the common alphabet. The alphabet now used by Mr. Graham is of my view just what we want. I have written a few pages of both Sherbro and Mendi in these letters and find no difficulty but find the alphabet itself a help to analise sounds. As soon as we can we ought to get up cards for the children in both these languages. These should be got up on the spot.

Now Brother let me ask what would

I be the cost of type enough to set up
I 4 pages, size of the Tract Primer?
with figures to set up numbers from 1 to 50
Could we have these I could set up ~~cards~~
and print cards without much difficulty
Let it be but a small matter & I believe
it will be of great value to us.

One difficulty of sending to America
or England to have such small jobs
done is the danger of being incorrect &
If we print but a few sheets on the spot
we can soon discover and correct
mistakes by submitting them to the critics
of our school. This we could not do if
we published abroad.

Then we could not give variety enough
again we cannot get at the work soon
enough unless we can adopt some such
plan. If we publish abroad we
must wait untill we can prepare
a book and feel confident it is correct
this will take time and it will not be
easily corrected if not perfect.

If we get up cards and circulars for the School here we shall be able to compile from them together with new matter for book for School and get them published abroad if we should wish -

If this idea seems to be favorable

O one cause will you order Fonetic type enough for 4 pages like the tract Primer, & forward it to me, the Jesus we have will answer for ~~passing~~ printing.

I do not wish you to go to much expense I am ignorant of the cost of type.

Unwearied yours

G. S. Brooks.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Order of Pitman England -

I urge, give us the Phon. & type speedily, at any expense, that Light may be flying, as on the wings of the wind ——

What are a few dollars, compared with the general diffusion of Christian knowledge - & a printed language in all this country? Deny as not —

Near Mendi Jan 27/55

Dear Bro Whipple, this letter was sent for my approval - which I most heartily give, & earnestly urge the request, & more -

The importance of Phonetics in reducing these languages to writing cannot be overrated. They are just the thing - & we must have them

The children learn the system very readily - I took nearly 20 girls & boys (mostly in the lower classes, & taught them on a large card about 1 hour, & they would read readily that same evening - Last week I drilled them again in spelling & they did well - astonishingly -

Now Bro Brooks, I think is mistaken in thinking we can use the Press which came with me in 48 - It has been neglected, in my absence long, & I fear it I don't think, could be fixed. We must have a new one - a second hand will do (which must be cheap, now Power Presses are so plentiful) - only large enough to print a foolscap sheet.

This we urgently need, for the good of all - Will you bring it, for this purpose - specially? If Brooks brings it he will make it work - for he now writes Mendi & Sherbro, in Phonetics, & his the older boy, joins in it finely - George

If Triple cannot be gotten, I WS do send to Pottinger, Eyston & Co - for G. J. Brooks.

A.M.A. ARCHIVES
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18th, Jan. 1855
Good Hope Station, Mr. Mission

Revd G. Whipple

Dear Sir, in looking over the Medicine I see that we have need of a new supply of a few articles not before noticed, but which are very necessary in treating some diseases among the children & in making preparations for a new year – viz:

✓ Ung.t Hydr. Nit.
✓ Citrine ointment
✓ Ungt. Hydrg } or Mercurial
✓ Blue Oint } Ointment
✓ Olive Oil, best – if a gal: no matter
✓ Oil. Rosemary. for making Opodeldoc – add Oil Bitumen
✓ Neats Foot. oil. 1 gal
✓ Flax seed.
✓ Quinine. 3 or 4. oz. unless you have sent by the Company now coming

The sores and cutaneous diseases generally – are such as demand applications of this nature. with others ✓ bad if you send Elm bark. Pulv.d it will save the necessity of send for more soon. The filthy Yaws, Leprosy – Superpuine abuses, and such like diseases get into the school and thus compel the use of such quantities of ointments, Solutions washes &c. as would be a matter of surprise to you if you were to see with your own eyes

Yours &c J. G. Cole

Do you send any Physicians? Many sorts, however well fitted a Spiritual and effectually praying man may be for a Missionary Laborer, unless he is also educated he is not fitted for a teacher, and every man or woman you may send will be necessarily at some time called on to act as such, or else, as has been the case, schools or reputation, or both, must suffer, as well as the feelings of your Missions

Rev. E. Wright
Secy. A. B. M. F. M.
Boston
Mass.

Rev. E. Cole.
Home Mon.
Jan 1 1857.
Wants

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. 77-6958A
FISK UNIV.

New York Jan 18 1835

Received in good order on board the Brig Falmouth for Sierra Leone port of Freetown the following

1	Box	marked	N 3	[M.M.]		Stoves
✓ 1	do.	do.	4	"	"	
1	Stove	do.	4½	"	"	
1	Box	do.	6	"	"	Hats
1	~~do~~	do.	18	"	"	Clothes & table
1	do	do	19	"	"	Bureau & Clothes
1	Barrel	do	20	"	"	Clothes
1	Tub	do	21	"	"	Sundries
1	Box	do	22	"	"	Clothing
1	do.	do	23	"	"	"
1	do.	do	24			Preserves
✓ 1	Box	Marked	N 1	[M.M.S.]		~~Hardware~~
✓ 1	"	"	N 2	"	"	" Clothing
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F. M. ARCHIV
NO. F-6959
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NEW-YORK, Jan. 19 1855

Received *in good order, from* Townsend Agt

on board the Brig Falmouth *bound*

for Africa *the following packages:*

MARKED:

MM

Groceries

~~Two Hhds Sugar~~

Two Hhf. " Sugar

Four " " Flour

Three " " Beef

One " " Pork

1 Bbl. " Syrup

1 " " Sugar

C. B. Stanwood

A. M. A.
NO. [redacted]
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Jan. 19th 1855

Dear Brother Whipple.

I opened Br Thompsons package of letters, to put others in, not knowing that the wrapper was a letter to you, and this will account for the condition in which you will see his letter. I have just got out from another attack of fever, which is the ~~third~~ fourth, in less than three months. I feel very feeble, and almost get discouraged at times. We now have 19 children in our family, most of them from 4 to 10 years of age, only 3 older than 10. I have them bound in a written agreement from their friends, giving them to the Mission without wages, for from 12 to 16 years according to their ages.

The people seem very much pleased with our school, and the arrangements of the family.

I can see that the children improve, and I hope they will be good for something, when they grow up, and this is almost the only hope that I can have for this country. Miss Aldrich says, "Tell them to send some Welting Chard." We need some Welting.

Mr Thomas Taylor requests me to procure a Bed-stead for him, and will pay 10 dollars for one like the one you sent to Miss Aldrich.

We are getting almost tired of waiting for help.

Very truly your brother in Christ, D. W. Burton.

D. W. Burton
Good Hope
Jan. 19/55.

Rec'd Ap 16

Rev. George Whipple
48 Richmond St
New York

A.M.E. ARCHIVES
NOF1-696d
FISK UNIV.

2 Dear brother Whipple,

Capt Brown has just received and brought a parcel of letters and papers, and I have received the letters that had been sent to the mission, but the letter you spoke of having written in answer to my letter sent by brother Officer, I have not received, but from what you have written in other letters, I get the impression that your feelings are somewhat different from what they were when you wrote me before, I trust that I shall be willing to serve the mission in any department where I may be needed most, but I am very anxious to settle at some place back in the country, Wocla is my choice, and I think the most important field that is open before us, and if possible should be occupied soon, I do not feel that I am qualified to perform the duties of this station, An experienced business man, and a well educated minister, with a native readiness to acquire the language, and those who will not try to ape the English, are needed here,

I love brother Thompson, and think him a sincere and devoted christian, and a zealous labourer, but I must disapprove of very much of his course of labour, I have seen a great deal of the operations of the Methodists in the West, and attended their Campmeetings, and observed the result of their excitements, after a few weeks had passed, and you may judge of my views when I say that I can see hardly the slightest difference between Western Methodist excitements, and the revivals at Kaw Mendi, I think it gives the people a wrong impression of what religion is, and will have a tendency to fill the country with backsliders, far more hardened than the other natives,

Our expences must necessarily be so great in building so much, and repairing the house at Good Hope, that we shall find to draw more funds, in the course of a few months, I have learned from Mr Eggidio that he has no choice between bills on England, or America, and drafts on the treasurer of the society would answer his purpose as well as any other funds, Please advise me on this subject as soon as you can, I am encouraging Mr Eggidio to establish a factory near us, so as to save us the trouble of doing our business in Freetown, and I think he will do so if he can find a man suitable to conduct the business, We need some arrangements of this kind, and I wish that we might have some good American trader, whom we could draw our whole supplies from, I think that our being obliged to mix trading, with our labors, to any extent, is bad for our mission, but I see no other way, but to have a good American trader to deal with,

I think that you have wrong impressions respecting Mrs Burton, and her connection with the Mission, You can hardly imagine the unpleasantness of our situation since we arrived in Africa, having been accustomed to active life, and a definite object in view, to be compelled to sit down, and live on the charities of friends at home, while it was entirely out of our power to enter upon the labors that we intended to be engaged in, was sadly trying, I have untill about the first of September written to Mrs Burton not to think of coming out till I could see some opening before us, and know something what to depend upon, She is suddly to return, and I trust she will now be on this Fall, I think that you would feel differently respecting Mrs Burton, if you could fully realize what our situation has been, Very truly yours S. W. Burton

21st My health is very much improved, and I now expect to return to the mission tomorrow. I have just been to Mr Hiddle to see about the freight.

You need never expect any abatement from the price agreed upon, from Mr Hiddle, and he will take every advantage in dealing with every one, that he possibly can. I tried to get him to let me settle the bill with Mr Nathan, and pass it into our account there, but he would not listen to that at all, but at last I prevailed upon him to receive his pay in New York, and I shall give him bills of exchange on Mr Jappan for the amount, $116,00 While I have the management of the business affairs of the mission I shall try to get along with as little dealings as possible with Mr Hiddle, or his factory. It takes rather closer watching to keep from being imposed upon, than I wish to devote to that branch of labor.

I dont know but I have written to you, as I ought not to have done, relative to myself, and my connection with the mission, but I have for several months past felt exceedingly hurt in my feelings, and could not think that the committee were justifyable in the hasty steps that they have taken, in censuring me so severely befor giving me a chance to answer for myself, but I am satisfied, and no more palaver from me on this score. My whole life has been from the first consecrated to Africa, and I only want to know where my master would have me labor, and what he would have me do. I hope I can go to Wocla during this dry season, and I

will not think of building any thing but Country houses for one or two years at least.

I wish that you would send frequent supplies of Graham Biscuit, and always send them in Tin cases. I find no bread that agrees with my constitution as well in this climate, as Graham Biscuit. I think also that it would be well to send Beef & Pork in 1/4 casks, unless you send large supplies so that we can sell from it. also Butter in jars of from 5 to 10 lbs, we should have no difficulty in selling a considerable amount of all these articles, at large profits, I could have sold all the Butter for 2 English shillings per pound, and meat in proportion. We need more good Umbrellas, and some good ~~shears~~ scissors, the ones that were sent out last were cast iron, and worthless. We are out of Straw Hats, and could sell many, if we had them, If you send more, send them of good quality, We can get large enough profits, and I dont like to sell indifferent articles. I think that we can make our trading benifit the people, for they need to learn honest principles of trade, as much as any thing else. Please send 2 doz pairs Home made Woolen socks, rather large sizes, some friends have requested that we get for them, and I am obliged to use them nearly all the time. My love to the brethren of the committee.

Very truly your brother in Christ D. W. Burton,

P. S. The bills of exchange to Mr Hoddle are for 30 days after sight,

D.W. Burton
Rec'd Feb 15 1857

A. M. ARCHIVES NO. F4696

New York, Jany 19/55.

This is to certify that the Rev. J. Cuttler Jeffs has expended his own money in settlement of the following Bills of goods bought for himself Chiefly & some for other missionaries:

Wm C. Gardener's bill Jan 18.	$ 48.25
C. Shepherd Mo's bill Jan 19.	$ 44.87
	$ 93.12

Amounting in all to Ninety three dollars & 12/100 which sum will be due to him from the American Missionary Association, with Interest from this date,

Lewis Tappan,
Treasurer A. M. A.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-6963
FISK UNIV.

Should my wife and I die leave no children
it is my will that the American Missionary
Association should have the within named
Money, to be expended for the promotion
of the Christian Missions under its care

New York
Janyy 20th 1838

Jas Cutler, Legatee

Rec'd N.Y. Jan 19/55 on board the Barq Falmouth for Freetown Africa for the Mendi Mission in good order

Marked
MM from B to G. inclusive — Six boxes of soap

MM H one barrel Clothing

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F-16963A
FISK UNIV.

MM from ~~H~~ I to O inclusive seven boxes — Wine, Umbrellas, the rest Clothing

MM from 7 to 13 inclusive seven boxes — Pickles & Meats

M.M. 16 & 16½ two boxes — Sundries

MM 17 one box — Books
" 24½ one box — Hardware
" 3 bedsteads ~~marked~~ ~~P~~ P
" 2 chairs " A
" 1 chair for cabin marked J.C.T.
" one spring mattress " ~~P.P.~~
" One can ~~MMM~~ stores
" one Lounge for the cabin in Bad order
" Ten trunks personal baggage
" Two packages of shovels 24½
" One " of spades 24½

C B Hammond

Rect. of Freig
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Duplicate

New York 19th Jany 1855.

Revd Wm. C. Shuey or Revd D. K. Flickinger or Revd S. C. Kumber at the Westafrica Mission:

are hereby authorized to value on Messrs Brown, Shipley & Co Liverpool payable in London at Four Months Sight.

for account of The American Missionary Association for any sum not exceeding Three hundred & forty Pounds Sterling

And Brown, Shipley & Co hereby agree with the drawers, endorsers and bona fide holders of bills drawn in compliance with the terms of this credit, that the same shall be duly honoured on presentation at their counting house.

The bills must be drawn within twelve months from this date.

Brown Shipley & Co
By their partners William Gorse

For £340 Sterling

Brown Brothers & Co

Please sign bills as being drawn under credit No 1364 dated 19th January 1855

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-69698
FISK UNIV.

Brown, Brothers & Co's
Letter of Credit
to
Wm. J. Shuey
D. K. Flickinger
or
D. C. Kreamer
Jan. 19/55
£340 Stg

L. T. Fra } secured obligation
G. H. Cornish } to Brown, Brothers & Co
same date to provide for drafts
Bills to be at 4 m/s sight
the drawer with 12 m/s.

Com. 2 per ct
settlement of account rate
of Exchange at the time
of settlement and interest
charged

Ledger p. 55.

Amer. Miss. Association

Dr to Estate of Rev. J. Butler Tefft.

1855

Jany 19. Cash expended by Mr Tefft for clothes for Missionaries, chiefly for himself, for which the Treasurer gave him a Certificate of this date that the amount was due to him, with Interest from this day . . . $93.06

1855

August 18 Amount contributed by Hezekiah Hills in Sept. 1852 (ackd. in A. M. of Nov. 1852) supposed to be a donation to the A. M. A., but afterwards ascertained to be for Mr Tefft's personal benefit . . . $100.00

1855

Dec By Cash 2.00

$195.06

Interest:

on $93.06 – 23 mos. at 6 per ct $12.58

on $100. – 16 d. at 7 per ct $ 9.33 — 21.81

$216.87

26.12
100.00
$126.12

216.87
126.12
$90.75

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. E1-6964
FISK UNIV.

Cr on Exp 21.81

26.12 pd Estate Dec

Goods bot here
Show he b. Lewis letter

Have this by J's
ackd in March papers

Entered A. Cutler Esqr
a/c

Mr Jeffs
Northwhitecreek
Washington Co
Cancelled

North White Creek Jan 30th 1857

Mr Tappan

Sir

I received your Draft and drew $100,00 on the Cambrig Valy Bank the 29th day of Jan, 1857. When my husbands Estate is settled and all Debts paid there will be something going to the American Missionary Association willed by my deceased husband. How much I do not know. It is not in my hands now When all is straight and I get it I will endeavor to forward it to you.

Respectfully,

R. L. Jeffs

Mrs R. L. Jeffs
North White Creek
30 Jan. 1857

After the 3rd of March please
direct letters and papers to Mrs
J. M. Jeffs, instead of Mrs J. C. Jeffs

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Geo Whipple – Read this first

Saw Mendi Jan 20/65

Dear George, Br Brooks has forwarded to me, to examine & forward, his Report &c

I have read it – & tho I fully agree with him in the urgency of his case – the importance of that field, & of its being occupied fully, & strongly, at once – as you have seen from the "Appeal" I sent from Mr Tappan – yet, I must disagree with him respecting the character of the people, as given by him. If I give the bright side, surely he gives the dark – & darker than it deserves, or is called for – The heart is the same here as at S. – & there is as much sense of sin as among all wicked people. They are here depraved human beings

And joined to their depravity, is gross ignorance, which is rather in our favor, than against us. As they are not hardened under the light — but only need light. I hope therefore you will wisely determine not to publish such descriptions, for they surely will give false impressions as this proves. Again — as to what he says about his boys — for Christ's sake do not publish a word. Wait a little, till more is seen — He wrote to me that Mr B J's case was not criminal — this last letter speaks of him as doing better than ever before — do not, then, hold him up before the world as a flagrant transgressor to damp the zeal & hopes of thousands

I am sure, it would not be wise or just. John is partly to blame for any remissness, for being too indulgent with Mrs. Stott holding a sufficiently tight rein over him — He has learned a lesson, & will do better.

Then Wilson's case, is presented before you as a Adulterer. Brooks, not so, at first — but the Doctor who knows all about it, tells me that he was not guilty. He may be guilty of adultery in heart, but the act was not committed, as is now clearly proven — & the boy seems deeply penitent, as the Dr says — If so, do not hold him up before the world — If Mr McCarthy was guilty, I do have no excuse for him —

I have made the foregoing suggestions, (1) because, I fear that John is too hasty in writing to be has. (2) before anything can reach you, or be published the boys may be truly living for God, & it would not be kind to have their faults go before the world, after true repentance. May the Lord give you wisdom & direct you in all things —

I am almost dead with labor & care — I am now sick — just crawling about, attending to business. For one week I attended no meetings — Felt better, & began to work yesterday & had to stop —

O! it is too bad & to think of being crushed to death, when so many might come! Ask the Chemists, if it is not cruel?

Your aff. Bro. George —

G. Thompson: Jan 20/53 —

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-6966
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Sold by H. Anstice, Stationer, 27 Nassau-street, cor. of Cedar.

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-YORK, the Twenty second day of January 1855

Josiah D. Hatch

Bill of Lading of Brig Falmouth
for Sierra Leone.
Jan 22/55

Mendi Mission goods

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-6967
FISK UNIV.

Galesburg. Jan 23rd 1853.

Rev. Mr Whipple,

Dear Sir.

Mr Bascom spoke to me the other day, and wished me to write a line to you expressing an opinion with respect to Miss M'Intosh, who proposes, I understand, to go upon a mission under care of the Ass. As to her intellectual qualifications, I can say that they are good. She has been under my instruction for three years or more. She is not brilliant or quick to learn, but by faithful application has passed with success through the course of study prescribed for our Female Department. She has done well in the mathematics, though I think she learns the languages ~~and~~ more readily than the mathematics. She is very faithful and conscientious in the discharge of every duty, and has quite a goodness for study. She has frequently remarked to me that she is sorry the course of study is not longer. I think she will make a very faithful and capable missionary, and that her heart will be in the work. I can most cordially recommend her to the Com.

Yours Truly G. E. Hitchcock.

H. I. Hitchcock
Galesburg Ill
Jan. 25/55.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-6968
FISK UNIV.

Perryville Ind. Jan. 29th 1855

Rev. George Whipple

Dear Sir — About three weeks ago I addressed a letter to the Rev. C. B. Boynton of Cincinnati, upon the subject of missions, and offered myself and wife as assistant Missionaries in the capacity of Physicians, to your Association; he has just informed me that you are the proper person to whom application should be made. I therefore take the liberty of addressing you in reference to the requisitions of the applicants and the demands of the Association for Laborers in the Missionary field. I shall request Rev. Mr. Boynton to forward you the letter, that you may understand my desires and position; I shall however herein state something in regard to our motives and the object had in view, in making this application, so that this letter may probably answer the purpose, in case you do not get the one addressed to him.

We have both been professors of religeon and members of the Church of God from early childhood. Mrs. L. has sustained the character of a voluntary home missionary in her native city, Norfolk Va., for several years, and has long desired to enter into a more extensive field of labor. I have been an acceptable member of the M. E. Church for ten years, and have labored to fill up my station with usefulness and due dilligence, until about four months since, when I voluntarily withdrew from its connection.

Being desirous of entering into the missionary work, we prepared ourselves by becoming acquainted with the science of medicine. We thus availed ourselves of the advantage of that knowledge, that we might lay all upon the Lord's Altar and be better qualified for the duties before us.

We graduated at the Physio-Medical College of Ohio, two years ago and have since been practicing our profession. We are thorough reformers upon the leading topics of the times, and with an eye single to God's glory have been laboring for the good of our fellow beings where ever we have been, though often despised for our course we have maintained our integrity, and now we think we are ready to pay our vows and go to distant lands to proclaim the unsearchable riches of Christ to the perishing heathen. We desire to be associated with your society because of its firm and decided position on the slavery question, and the well known standing of the members of your Board of Directors upon all the exciting and important subjects which now agitate the world.

As stated in the letter to Mr. Boynton we are respectively 25 and 26 years of age, of general good health, constitutions good, habits of self denial, and with a resolve to meet all difficulties in the name and strength of God, we are not easily discouraged in any work of labor of love.

Deeming it our bounden duty and believing we are called of God to that holy calling, we are ready to sunder the ties that bind us to our native land, and taking our live in our hands, we consecrate all our powers to the work, trusting that we will be directed

fix our paths that we may be useful where ever we may be sent. We both practice medicine and in a mission station we might be useful in that capacity. While learning the language of the natives to which we might be sent, I could devote more attention to the study of Theology, and Mrs. L. might teach a girls school. We Both ~~[illegible]~~ easily acquire the knowledge of any language ~~[illegible]~~, and think we would soon be of use in our station.

I am aware that the present condition of monetary affairs is a barrier to the extensive action of any of the benevolent societies, but it shall be no cause of unwillingness on our part to bear our share of the burden, should the Association deem it proper to send us. We have but little of this world's goods, but it shall all be given to the Lord.

I could not perhaps procure a recomendation of the pastor of the church to which I formerly belonged but any other letters of reference or certificates of good standing and christain deportment, that might be needed I can procure: however you can in reply to this state what is necessary of that character.

We would be ready to go anywhere the Association may direct, but would prefer Central Africa, or Japan as our place of labor.

Our opinions of the personal responsibility of professing christains in relation to the conversion of the world, are that — God has said to some, personally, "Go ye into all

the world and preaching my Gospel", while others are required to furnish the means for such effort, each in their station, equally responsible for the work to be accomplished. Those who are to go, should go as did the Father of the Faithful, not knowing whither - i.e. not choosing his own way, but being directed of God, should be willing to deny himself, take up his cross and follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit. His object should be to give freely to all a knowledge of this great salvation as God has freely given his Son to die for us, so we should willing sacrifice all, that we might be enabled to win some souls to Christ. My heart warms with sacred emotions while I write thus to you, but a letter cannot express the longings of soul that I have upon the subject of saving souls from eternal ruin. But I must forbear and hasten to a close. Should you deem it necessary you can write to the Rev. Mr. Baynton and request him to procure the letters of reference, spoken of in my letter to him. It would be more appropriate, perhaps, that he should do so than that I should write for them myself.

Awaiting your reply

I am yours in

brotherly love

David J. Lee

Perrysville Ind.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

David J. Lee
Perrysville Ind.
Jan 29, 1850.
Ex. Com.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-6969
FISK UNIVERSITY

Letter from Mr O Buxton

Sherbro Island.

Bongeois Island,

Good Hope, January 30/55

Dear Brother ~~Whipple~~.

I have long had a desire to visit the Bargroo river, thinking from all that I could learn of it, that it is one of the most important parts of the Sherbro country. My duties at this station have been so pressing as to render it almost impossible for me to be absent, but last week I devoted four days to exploring different branches of that river, as far as I was able in that length of time.

The Bargroo river has suffered more from war since we came, than any other section of the country near here, and is now in a state of confusion and alarm. I visited several towns, three of them important barricaded towns, and was received with much kindness, and treated with all the attention that the people could extend. I conversed much with the chiefs, and people, respecting the condition of their country, and told them of our desire to establish schools among them, and help them "hold the country" in quietness and peace. They listened with great interest, and expressed, (without an exception,) a strong desire that we should establish a mission in their part of the country, assigning as a reason, "that where there is a mission, no war can come, for they say

"Ever since the ~~the~~ mission has been at Kawmend
no war has ever troubled that place".
At one place I met a number of chiefs, who were collected together for the purpose of settling some palaver, and among them was Barbocoo the chief of Makno, a town on the Makno branch of the Bargro river, which I wished to visit. He voluntarily sent a man with me to his town, with instructions to the man whom he had left in charge during his absence, to show me all of the country that I wished to see, and told me that I might have any place that I ~~[illegible]~~ wanted for a mission. Makno is situated a little east of north from here, and is I should judge about thirty miles distant, on a straight line. The Bargro river is a much better stream to navigate, than any of the other rivers which empty into the sherbro, having a channel of sufficient depth for vessels of large size to pass nearly to the hills. The Makno river is about the size of the ~~[illegible]~~ passaic at Newark in New Jersey. ~~and~~ At the town of Makno, and for some distance above, it passes ~~through~~ between the hills. About two miles above Makno is a fall of about four feet in the river, at low tide. ~~It about four feet~~, but at high tide, canoes and boats can pass without any trouble, and go to far back into the country (as I was told) without any obstruction. I saw one small stream of sufficient size to propel a saw mill, and

the timber of that region is abundant.
It is my opinion that that is the most important field, to occupy immediately, of any now open before us. I am sure that a mission would do more towards making peace in the country, than any other influence that could be put in operation there. There should be at least two stations opened in the Bargroo river, and one at Wlah, immediately. But the men and money are wanting!

O how I wished that Godo people at home might have the situation of this unfortunate land so represented to them, as to produce the same impression on their minds, that it did on my own as I passed from town to town, and witnessed the desolate and sunken condition of the poor people, for then there would certainly be means enough provided, to establish schools all over this land.

~~31st Today I have been to Debea, the residence of Sir Chally the King of Shebro, to get a written agreement for two little girls that I have taken into the Mission, which makes our number twenty.~~

My health is now pretty good, and all in the mission were well, when we last heard from the other stations.

Very truly yours, in Christian bonds,

D. W. Burton.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

P.S. I have never received your letter written in answer to mine of May last. Please send a copy, if you have one. D. W. Burton

Revd George Whipple.

Rec'd Apr 16

Feb 1/55 Dear Bro Whipple. I come here last night, on business - & Daniel read me this letter, in which I am much pleased - & wants earnestly urge the importance of calling for Laborers that we may be able speedily occupy so wide a field - May the Lord send Laborers into His Harvest

Affectn Bro Geo Thompson

D. W. Burton, Goodhope Jan 30/55

Rec'd Mch

J. S. Brooks,
Bromi Falls Station.
Jan 30/55.

Hygiene

Rev. George Whipple
48 Bedman Street
New York

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI 6920
FISK UNIV.

Boom Falls Station Jan 30 1853
Mo Lapsan.

Rev. Geo. Whipple.
Cor. Sec. of A. M. A.

My dear Brother.

I have had the pleasure of reading a lengthy communication by Dr. Cole to you on the subject of this country & climate and the effects produced by them on foreign constitutions, including some very useful hints to those who contemplate a temporary or protracted sojourn here, and wishing to bear testimony in favour of the document generally and recommend to your special notice some parts of it, I take my pen, though weary and faint with labor, to record a few common placed thoughts.

Though I am not a Doctor yet having been a subject of disease myself, and had the pleasure of serving others when sick I claim the privilige of thinking, speaking and acting for myself, and assist others who may be suffering under disease and can get no better help. And while I claim such liberties I hope to be screened from the charge of presumption if I process to express an opinion relative to the performance of an M. D.

The practical hints contained in Dr. Coles. deductions from the physical condition and changes - mineral, vegetable, atmospheric & electrical are all worthy of a second thought. His remarks on the subject of carbonations food suggests I believe, the true cause (and remedy) of the acclimating fever. We know that during acclimation that there is a superabundance of carbon circulating in the system, this is indicated by the temperature of the body, color of the blood, acidity of the stomach, congestion of the liver & spleen &c. Now if we may reason from effect back to cause we may, with some show of reason, say that those unknown mysterious agencies, affecting health, owe their peculiar virulence to carbonic acid, which is generated by the rapid

decay of vegetable matter and the action of heat on the with spread marshes abounding here, so that this element flows down every valley like torrents, and stagnating in the low districts producing disease and death. The night especially is the time when this element acts. It then is condenses near the surface of the earth and in low places, making it unhealthy for persons sleeping on the lower floor. Experience has taught the natives to choose a high bed to a low one. From what I have seen of the different effects of a high and low bed I can confidently say that persons sleeping in the same room on the ground floor one on a high bed the other on a low one, the latter will frequently suffer from fever-ague and congestion of the liver & spleen, while the former will be comparatively free from such attacks. For this reason the native when he does sleep on the ground or a low bed chooses a fire near his head.

Not only carbonations food but medicine and air abounding in carbon must be avoided. High localities, high houses, high beds, an open fire with room ventilated at the floor and ceiling are to be chosen. In a bad locality & a low house one should never sleep without fire, and I believe the use of recently heated charcoal in a sleeping room would be very useful, by the use of it I mean allowing it to stand in the room.

Too much attention to dress and bathing cannot be given. For one I wish there could be a change in the dress of males. Our close fits are burdensome and unhealthy. Some modification of the Turkish dress would be much better.

One thing I should be urged on all your missionaries before they leave America. That they exercise the good sense and confidence in those who have more experience, to know that they are but children in experience here, and take the advice of others as to what they can endure and what they cannot. A goodly part of those now numbered among the dead might have been alive had they exercised more judgment. Be cautious but not of wilfull neglect of reason, lest Aristotle dient because

she would do a small washing, Mr Carter died because he would go without shoes, coat & hat in the rains, Raymond died because he had one treat too much. Mrs. Thornton died because she would be a yankee and do her kitchen work. The exercise of judgment or heading of goods advice would most likely have saved the most of them of not all.

I join Dr. Cole most heartily in the belief that with proper care the remedies in cases of acclimation are few and simple. Though the Dr. have used other remedies his main port has been salt. The chief agents he uses in fevers and bowell complaints are salt, water and a dry atmosphere. But the Dr.'s practice rather use of these and confidence in them is not their chief recommendation. The fact that not a death has occurred in his practice where his advice was followed is a damper on potent drugs. I am confident that under ordinary circumstances deaths in acclimation should be the exception not not the rule.

But I must close to reach rest. Farewell

Your brother

J S Brooks

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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[illegible] Coast of Africa a certain num-
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[illegible] named vessel having already
[illegible] the accomodations provided and
[illegible] pay $70 each person for passage
[illegible] each one the space of 40 feet
[illegible] for baggage and for all extra
[illegible] hand measurement — It is
[illegible] that the passage money is
[illegible] to said Ward in advance
[illegible] —

[illegible] passengers should go than the
[illegible] of passage will then be $75

Henry Belden for A. M. A.

E. R. Ward

Agreement between
Henry Nelden for A M. A
& E Ware Agent
for Passage & freight on
board Brig Falmouth
bound to Sierra Leone

Jan 1835

Copy

Amer. Missy Assoc^n to W. J. Shuey Dr.

Jan 9th/55	To cash deposited in gold	$ 715.00
" " "	To dft on Ohio Life & Trust Co.	1363.00
		$2078.00

Amer. Missy Assoc^n Cr by W. J. Shuey

Jan 19/55	By letter of credit on Brown Shipley & Co x	1632.00
" 20th "	By check on Leather Manufacturers' Bk	221.00
" " "	By amount of passage money for 3 to Sierra Leone	225.00
		$2078.00

x Subject to revision, after the drafts have been made and settlement effected with Brown Shipley & Co

(Signed) Lewis Tappan
Treasurer A. M. A.
New York Jan 20/55

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-6972
YALE UNIV.

Statement of a/c with
W. J. Shuey.

Feb 1/55 – Dear George. Publish Daniel's letter wide – as it is a direct refutation of some parts of his letter in Congregational Herald. Publish & appeal boldly for Laborers – Daniel seems deeply interested, & feels that we must occupy all this Shelby country. I am much pleased to see the change in his feelings – tho he doesn't seem to be conscious of it – I try to encourage him all I can – He only talks of staying & laboring for this people – O! that his Wife were here – She is ready to take right hold, build a County house, open school & do all –

The Lord direct you –

Your B George T

A.M.A. ARCHIVES
NO. E1.6973
FISK UNIV.

Geo Whipple

Q. Thompson
Feb 1/55.

Please say to Martha, I am well - thankfully
Lord - cannot write now —
May the Lord speede her aright
& permit us to meet, in His own good time

South Plymouth Mass Feb 6th 1853.

To—Rev Geo. Whipple.
Rev S. S. Jocelyn.
Seneca Taffan Esq.
Officers of the
American Missionary
Society—

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-6954
FISK UNIV.

The bearer, Miss Hannah Hones, has for some time been favorably known to me and my family, as a Teacher in week day and Sabbath Schools, a member of my Bible Class, and as a participant in the exercises of the female and the young peoples prayer meetings; communing with us on our sacramental occasions, and cooperating with us in advancing the cause of our Saviour in this home of the Pilgrims. I am happy, cordially, to recommend her, as one whom I deem possessed of rare and superior qualifications for Missionary labor in this or foreign lands. Possessed of a constitution and character in which the physical, mental, and moral exist in fair proportions, well informed on those subjects which pertain to truth and duty—the church and the world, and with habits of study and capacities of acquisition adapted to a constant enlargement of the field of her investigation and knowledge, and above all, with a humble and ardent desire to serve her Lord and Master, she cannot, it seems to me, fail of being useful in any station to which God by his providen-

South Plymouth Mass Feb 6th 1853.

To—Rev Geo. Whipple.
Rev S. S. Jocelyn.
Lewis Tappan Esq.
} Officers of the American Missionary Society—

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-6994
FISK UNIV.

The bearer, Miss Hannah Hones, has, for some time, been favorably known to me and my family, as a Teacher in week-day and Sabbath Schools, a member of my Bible Class, and as a participant in the exercises of the female and the young peoples prayer meetings; communing with us on our sacramental occasions, and cooperating with us in advancing the cause of our Saviour in this home of the Pilgrims. I am happy, cordially, to recommend her, as one whom I deem possessed of rare and superior qualifications for Missionary labor in this or foreign lands. Possessed of a constitution and character in which the physical, mental, and moral exist in fair proportions, well informed on those subjects which pertain to truth and duty—the church and the world, and with habits of study and capacities of acquisition adapted to a constant enlargement of the field of her investigation and knowledge, and above all, with a humble and ardent desire to serve her Lord and Master, she cannot, it seems to me, fail of being useful in any station to which God by his providen

may call her. She has been useful to us, and should you assign her to some portion of your great field, I hope and trust she will be useful there.

Yours for the spread of the gospel & salvation of the world

Daniel H Babcock

Pastor of the 2d Cong. (oldest orthodox) Church

Plymouth Massachusetts.

Hannah Howes

Rev. D. H. Babcock

So Plymouth Mass

Feb 16/55

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-6925
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Station, Sherbro Isl.
Feb. 7. 1835.

Rev. Geo. Whipple.

Dear Sir. I try to improve the few minutes left before the canoe leaves for town.

I came here from in the Boom river last saturday and have been quite ill since my arrival, from diarrhea & fever, having got wet, cold, and been exposed half one night in open canoe, that I might reach here before Sabbath. I am weak, but shall I trust soon be as well as ever. My health has been good since Aug. last. Most of which time I have spent in the river, or at this place to relieve Br Burton, so that he could go to town on business, or while sick - and previous to Aug. was well, when I could have the privilege of a fire or place to dry by when coming in from rain, or damp air. I am too sorry to say there has been too much neglect in this matter in the formation of our houses - and that your Missionaries do not yet see the great necessity of it to health as they ought.

In company with this you will find a few sheets on which I have a few observations such as I could get, mostly while attending to business. have traveled but very little, for this special cause - because I had no instructions that there could read giving me the privilege, or requiring of the Mission the means to defray expenses, and the liberty to do any thing was so hardly drawn from them. (some of them) and that only by your letter to me stating your disappointments, and fully because I did not write on the subject, an answer to which I sent. I am free to confess that, had I not had a strong desire as a student of nature and

of God in His works. I should probably have sat down, for all feeling authorized to do much in the matter, from any liberty or instructions received, from any source, or encouragement, farther than duty to my self and God, impelled me -

There are many things I might say which I do not feel willing to put on paper, but expect if life is spared to have the privilege given me to visit America, according to the promise of several of the Ex Com. (not official) of returning after two years which time has fully passed, then I & you can talk as minds may see fit, or feelings may dictate.

Had I not despised the thought of deserting my post of duties which God seemed to call, or the company needed - or so long as responsibility seemed to demand - I should have been in America before Mr & Mrs Thompson even. So much was I disgusted with reckless heedlessness, or I felt; criminal selfishness, or want of ability to observe or judge, and that get knowledge, or on the part of another an unwillingness to express any judgment or decision without till somebody else had started, seeing money misspent as I felt - ful - or wasted, often without ~~any~~ accounting for it. - I could not forget the months I had passed at the rooms and the perplexity of your self, and Mr Hamel, and the almost daily changes these received, to enter and if possible correct those things which seemed to you as so much out of order in your noting of the reports - I tried in all the brotherly kindness I could to show these things to them & told them what yourselves pointed out, as I saw it in the Mission

For these things I received their hatred, or something worse - thus I have lived, seeing every thing I had to do with met by something to counteract it, if

they dared to do it. Prescriptions. Medicines often - and my character blackened and aspersed as far as they could by a seeing semblance to truth ful, misrepresentations. These I have lived down by Gods help to my own satisfaction and the confusion of some. I care no more for them in themselves, but in regard to those who have been recently here in America I care little to meet them here unless charged, or to labor with them in the Mission - especially in same station unless retractions or confessions are made, I care not for this for myself so much as as for others. I regard the consecration feelings of a Br. as before God. as of more with them a fig - or or the character of as sister with too much, to be misrepresented because of the dislike of envy. in a strange place. to strangers and then to come back home to fling in our faces daily - until these are corrected, some of us will choose to labor alone or go elsewhere - Geo. who did me the first great wrong has at last as fully acknowledged it - I honor him for it. I see in labor for him. tho I can't confide in his business judgment and vouch the necessity of his expenditures, in the manner they are made. I write these to show what is here. not to complain, or ask pity - nor to get you to write to me. for I am become accustomed to having all I may say, or advise, or write, neglected. as has been; to the real cost of M. M. - in some cases. I only ask you to consider the promise made me by the Cor. Secy. Treas. - Asst. on two or three occasions. that I might visit home. and send such permit. and means to defray necessary expenses. And that one or two of your number would take time to visit this place. which can be done in safety I think. and return in the same vessel you may come in -

if such is your desire I feel it to be the absolute duty of some of the most responsible, observing, good judging ones of the Comm. to visit here, either in dry or rain season (which may be done by following advice given in my papers you seen with this) and see all things for your self. by your own eyes, not by those of another, hear with your own ears not those of others. those sanguine feeling out men. their judgments too, too, often —

If you can, you will please pardon the liberty I have taken, in thus placing these things before you —

Sincerely Your Obt. Serv.
T. H. Cole

If in reading this you are led to think the Mission is making progress backward, you mistake. What may be in future is to come. We trust those here will try to do all that can be done with Gods help — Great improvement in business and all other matters is visible —

T. H. Cole, M.D.
July 17/55.

Encourage state of things & influences

Wm. Carey Carey
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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-6976
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Good Hope Station Jy. 8. 1883.

Rev. Geo. Whipple

Dear Sir. The company so long looked for arrived yesterday. We regret very much they could not have been sent 3 or 4 months sooner for we now feel: tho' it has not been so fully expressed by us before. that any portion of the year is better than the two months including the vernal Equinox for a safe beginning here - the season. We have a dry season, with a vertical sun during this time. therefore heat will produce its severest effects in this time. and Nature presents the finest aids to resist it — All we can do is to trust the providence of God now, and hope with much fear and trembling. for the safety of your missionaries. all well now —

Your note came with other letters.

Yours &c — T. H. Cole

Boston is sick from overdoing & exposure.

T. G. Cole
Feby 1855
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LAW ARCHIVES
NO. TRACT
RICE UNIV.

Brig Falmouth Atlantic Ocean,
Lat 22° 5 No. Long. 20° West. Feby. 12th 1853.
Lewis Tappan Esqr Treas. A.M.A.S.
48 Beekman St New York N.Y.

My Dear Brother in Christ,

I address you as you see officially. I do this, thinking it quite possible that I may find some occasion to say a few words when we arrive at Freetown Sierra Leone on business topicks. Yet I intend my epistle to be mostly of a friendly familiar epistle, And I commence now while still upon the Ocean that I may take it quietly, without the bustle of the city of Freetown.

As you probably learned from Br Beldin we sailed on tuesday the 25d of Jany at 12 lle M. Not far from 3 mo down we took a long lingering look of our Father land probably the last time for many years & possibly, yea probably, to some of us, for all time. Yet all were cheerful, yea joyous as far as this was concerned, if I could read the feelings of the heart in their smiling countenances. Looking at this moment from some stand points it was calculated to make us feel sad & from others equally happy and exhilarated. We were leaving our aged friends, some a fond old grandparent that we were almost certain never to gain (next this side of Eternity. all or nearly all dear parents, loving brothers & sisters

the charming scenes of our own civil & religious institutions. and those dear Christian Circles where we have been accustomed to take sweet Council around the "Mercy Seat." Again, we are to an extent which you can little appreciate. committing our little comforts, not to say our happiness, to those with whom we were but little acquainted. If they were congenial spirits with whom we could be frank as with the many dear friends we are leaving, then they could and would add much to our enjoyment. But if self sufficient, Conceited self witted wise in their own eyes, seeing faults in others but unwilling to see or acknowledge any in themselves, persons that cannot be approached without finding them so guarded with reserve that you cannot come near enough to commune with their hearts, then although they cannot deprive us of happiness & peace, yet they can and will be very anoying & try us exceedingly. These views were calculated to sadden us & lead us to look on the dark side of the picture But when by the eye of faith we look at the other side of the picture & view other parts of the scene presented to our view we remember that even those dear friends we are leaving love us the better for the sacrifice we are making & will follow us with their prayers. We see the hearts of our associates in the hands of our Covenant keeping God, Who has said, "All things shall work together for good to them that love God" "He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber". "The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in, from this time forth and even forever more" I say when we remember & see such cheering things and above all hear our dear Saviour say to us, go & I will

accompany you. So I am with you. "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." How can we otherwise than be very joyous, happy & even exultant. This last view I think was emphatically the one which caught our eye & filled the field of our vision. Yes, yes all I think looked up, looked to Jesus! O it is good, cheering to the fallen soul to get a view of the loving Saviour! How strong we should be if we only heeded the exhortation of the Apostle, "Let us lay aside every weight & the sin that doth so easily beset us, looking unto Jesus"! We have had a very stormy passage for at least 2/3 of our voyage. A part of the time, I suppose, from what the Capt & Mate tell us that we were in no little peril. We have come very quick thus far, quick enough to run our entire voyage in 26 days, if the winds should hold, out strong & fair but to-day we are becalmed & how long we shall be kept we know not. We are now in the region of the "Trade Winds" & if we get them soon we hope for a short passage, if not we can form no idea when we shall see Freetown, S.L. But if we are the Lord's, as we profess & hope, we are bound to, may have committed our way to God, and we may believe, yea know that he will bring it to pass in the best time & way. "May his will be done" although it thwart, yea goes entirely contrary to our own. I think much of our company as such & think most if not all will be congenial associates. The brethren and sisters all wish me to affectionately remember them to you and your dear wife & our sister Lapham

Freetown March 5th 1855

Dear Brother Jaffar

Yesterday I dispatched a note to you via England enclosed with a package to Brother Whipple. In it I told you all that I could learn relative to our business matters. When I get to the Mission I will write again & tell you any additional items I may learn there. As I said to you in my note yesterday, we arrived in port on the 26th ult. We have been very cordially received here by our old friends Rev James Beale, Rev James Edney, John McCormack & W. This is exceedingly cheering to us all especially to our new comers. We have had more invitations to spend the day on shore than we can well accept. O how kind is our Father in heaven to give us so many kind friends to receive us in the name of the Lord in these dark shores! I feel that the Lord, in ordering our circumstances, has made our cup to run over. In America, while waiting for the sailing of our Brig, our being so pleasantly accommodated at your house & at Brother Beldin's added to our happiness very much. May our hearts ever beat warmly with gratitude for these numerous favors. May we be guided by the Holy Spirit is the prayer of your brother & Missionary

J. Hutter Jeffs

M. A. ARCHIVES NO. FH 67 YALE UNIV.

J. Hutter Jeffs
Ocean of Africa
Feb 14 Holland 22 March 1855
Rec'd April 20 15
ans May 1st & 8th at home

South Plymouth Feb. 15 1855.

Miss Hannah H. Howes has taught the Second District school in this place for 35 weeks during the past year & has given general satisfaction. We shall be sorry to lose her services but will not be so selfish as to prevent her entering a wider field of usefulness. She is well qualified as an instructor.

W. B. Holmes
School Committee

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-6972
FISK UNIV.

Miss H. Howes,

A. B. Holmes

So. Plymouth

Mass

Feb 15, 1855.

Ex. Com.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-6978
FISK UNIV.

West Sandwich Mass. Feb. 16. 1855.

Rev. Geo. Whipple Cor. Sec. A.M.A.
New York.

Dear Sir

Your last inviting me to visit New York was duly received. Though I must go alone there are so many reasons why I would like to see you, that I have planned to go the early part of next week, if arrangements can be made

I think I shall take the New York & Fall River Line, and will come direct to your Office.

As I am a stranger in the city will you be kind enough to provide accommodations for me during my stay?

Yours truly,
Hannah Howes.

Hannah Howes
St. Scandinavia Ms
Feb 16/58

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son, Baltimore.

At Cape de Verde Islands previous to Jan 2, ship Euphrasia, Hurd, from Baltimore Monrovia.

In port at Sierra Leone Mch 11, brigs Gov Brown, Parks, fm NYork, for Marseilles 10 or 12 ds; Gamilia, ———, (late Burgess, who died on the 10th) put in 9th from the leeward coast, leaky; a survey was held, and she was ordered to discharge for examination; Falmouth, Hatch, from New York, ar 37th, (supposed Feb) to return in abt 14 days; cargo all ready; had been to Sherbro with missionaries. Sld March 8, bark Estelle, Miller, NYork.

At Para 15th ult, brig Fre[illegible] Baker, for Boston [illegible]

Coleall has a teacher and so at Mt Bravo opening a station there. Bro Brook has been quite unwell, but was better about one month since. Bro Burton has been unwell but is better. The "Gov. Brown" arrived this A. M. after a passage of 26 days. Thank you for the letters. Over

Brig Talmouth Atlantic Ocean

Lat 14° 42' No. Long. 19° 40' West. 19th Feby. 1855

Rev Geo Whipple Cor. Sec.
Mr. A. W. Beekman St. New York

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F16980
FISK UNIV.

Dear Brother in Christ

As you see from the above we are approximating to the end of our passage. We are now, as you may see by using the Map of Africa, just south of the most southern of the Cape Verd Islands & some 4 miles below the Cape itself. So I think it well to commence an epistle to you so that if we should find any opportunity to send immediately after our arrival at Freetown S. L. I may be so fully prepared as not to miss of it. I will take up different times much as they have occurred during our voyage. We have all been sea sick more or less during our passage. A part of the our company, all the brethren from Ohio, & some of the sisters, did not wait for the first night to close in upon them before they paid their respects to "Old Neptune & the fishes." Some of us were sick more or less for the first two weeks. Wife and suffered less than any of the others of the company. Poor sister Winters, notwithstanding her perfect assurance that she should only suffer for a few hours suffered more and longer than any other one.

25th Feby. We arrived here two days since making our passage in 34 days. We are all well & have made arrangements with Mr Field to take us directly to Good Hope in the Brig for $170.00. We expect to remain on board night & all the time in port so that we shall have little expense. Some what of her & think that Bro Burton has communicated at Sea, I cannot say certainly.

If you could have looked in upon us, in the height of our sea sickness, I think that, altho you would have deeply sympathized with us, yet I doubt not you would have laughed heartily. We are now all comfortably well, and indeed we have all enjoyed very good health all our passage except our sea sickness. Our Brig has proved, as we were assured by Mr Ware & Capt. Hatch, an excellent sea bird. Our Officers & Crew have proved able, kind and courteous to all of us. All have seemed to do all they could to make our passage as pleasant and agreeable as they could. It never has been my fortune before to go onto the Ocean with so efficient & civil a crew as Providence has favored us with on this voyage. But for the habit of profane language on the part of the Officers, I have heard not a word, I think, from one of the Men before the Mast, which in a passion they would have been just about all that we could have asked or expected from irreligious Men. Our passage has been very stormy & consequently very rough. The day after we left Pot a storm commenced which lasted some 3 days, 15 hours of which time we were forced to lie to & drive before the fury of the blast. After one or two days of moderate weather another storm came down upon us. This did not last so long as the former and being a fair wind our nimble Brig was able to scud before it under close reefed sails. This experience was repeated 4 times within about two weeks. I think we must have made for our passage under canvas more or less reefed.

I never saw & experienced the power of a storm at sea before.

The first week sailing we had 2 days 10 & 11 miles & for 8 days one of 6 & 1 of 7 miles. Yesterday & Thursday we had just para 3 & 80 miles. Yesterday & Thursday we had just para 3 & 80 miles. Yesterday & Thursday we had just para 3 & 80

But O the majesty, (Might, and) grandeur of the Ocean when lashed into fury by a storm. Can little be imagined by one who has spent his life upon terra firma. One wave was so large that when we were in the trough between it and the one behind it, that you could see the sea above the top of the fore sail while standing upon the top of the house or Cabin. Our Mate and Sailors told us that most vessels would have been boarded by many large seas & that there would have been great danger of carrying away her bullworks if running along as we went 10 & 11 Miles per hour. But our vessel by the Mercy of our Covenant keeping God rode out the storms nobly & shipped very little water.

Truly the Saviour made good his promise. "Lo I am with thee alway." "They that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing." We all could testify after these storms that of a certainty, "as our day so had our strength been." "When thou passest through the waters I will be with thee; and through the rivers they shall not overflow thee."

All were remarkably cheerful & very happy under the circumstances. Oh to myself I think I never more fully felt as much so before, realized that God was really every where and that we were alike safe in his hands in all places & under all circumstances, as this voyage while in the midst of these terrible storms. O if we could know of the fullness of God's faithfulness we must let him lead us into situations where he can have an opportunity to exhibit it.

Sat. Lamp or Candle are kept. If you hear that sister Whitney is sick or in deal you must not be surprised for she will listen to advice relative to work or exercise. Write from our company our Experience Missionaries on the coast should be her own reading. The memory of our arrival & her sickness would be a sufficient

Our religious privileges have been all we could ask or desire while on our passage. Capt Hatch calls upon some one of us at each meal to ask a blessing. Morning and evening, ever since we recovered from our sea sickness so as to make it consistent, we have had reading of the Bible, singing and prayer. On thursday P.M. we have had a prayer and conference meeting. These little meetings have been a feast of fat things to our souls. God, we feel, has met with us, and where he is there it is ever blessed time. And to the praise of the name of our kind Father let me record, that he is the same in all places, both on the land and sea. On sabbath in addition to our morning & evening prayers we have had one or two public services in preaching. During nearly the entire voyage the Capt., mate, & men have been more or less under conviction of sin. At times the Holy Spirit has seemed to mightily striving with our Capt. But it seems doubtful whether they will end the contest between themselves & God by yielding to his requirements or not. They are full of excuses. The principal one which they bring up for not becoming christians is one which must dishonor God viz: "they cannot live Christians on the Ocean" O my soul, what a refuge of lies! God will punish all men for their sins, yet here is one class that he will punish for committing sins which he has not furnished them grace to avoid! May the Spirit of the Lord place this sin so conspicuously before their minds that they cannot but see how excessively wicked it is either directly or by implication to bring such charges against a God of infinite purity & boundless benevolence!

Nov. 1. Yesterday we spoke a fine packet of letters in about 10 days by the Lucas and Capt. Hatch to send to Castelli. If you can find time to drop a note to my wife Mrs E. Harris among your safe arrivals, do it. I will offer it aircam passage in some trader.

Yours Truly

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Springfield Clark Co. Ohio, Feb. 22,

Dear Friend,

Enclosed you will find a letter for my husband. You will do me a great favor, if you will forward it by England.

Your Sister in Christ

Rev. George Whipple — Sarah Shuey

P. S.

I left no room on my envelop for any more directions, if there are any more necessary please to put a wrapper around it

Y. M.

S. S.

A.M.E. ARCHIVES
NO. FT-6981
FISK UNIV.

Sarah Shuey
Dayton, Feb 22/104

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-6982
FISK UNIV.

Perryville Ind. Feb 22nd 1855

Rev. George Whipple
New York

Dear Sir — I delayed replying to your welcome letter of the 5th inst. in order that I might examine the pamphlet therein spoken of, and comply with any requisitions contained in it; but it has not yet arrived therefore I can only answer the inquiries in your letter.

I wrote to Rev. Mr. Boynton on the same day that I wrote to you, and I hope you are now in possession of the letter spoken of. The only advantage in having it, is that it contains several persons of reference — with whom Dr. Boynton is acquainted, and of whom he could procure a knowledge of myself and wife, which I think would be satisfactory to your committee. If you have not received that letter, I would suggest that you request the Doctor, or your regular agent for that district, to call upon Prof. A. Curtis M. D. of Cincinnati, who is generally known as a philanthropic, scientific and highly educated reformer, an attendant upon the ministry of Dr. B. Dr. Curtis would be able to give any information in reference to both of us, as we boarded for some length of time in his family and Graduated under his instruction. We would also refer you to Rev. W. W. Hendrey

Cincinnati

pastor of the 1st Cumberland Pres. Church in Cincinnati in whose family and upon whose ministry Mrs. Lee attended a length of time. For more particular reference as to my christian character. I would refer you to Mr. Joseph Larkin, Clerk in Wolf & Co.s wholesale store on Pearl st. N. side. next door to Main st. Cin. O. he is an official member of the M.E. Church and with whom I was most intimate while residing in Cin. I would also refer you to the Rev. W. L. Buffett formerly Pastor of the N. S. Pres. Church in our village, and at present residing here. But a still more important reference is the Rev. Mr. Kingsbury of Danville Ill. with whom we have as yet but a limited acquaintance, but whose judgment and integrity of character would make him an important reference. He is thoroughly imbued with the principles of your association, and is perhaps known to the Treasurer of the Board. His residence is only 12 miles from our village, and I would suggest that his attention be called to the subject by a letter from you; in the mean time I shall visit him in order that he may be better able to give you a reply concerning us. He is the only Minister in this region of country who is well acquainted with the history of your Association, and the only one, who is not in any manner connected with the "scum of all villanies" I would also name Dr. L. Abbott of Indianapolis, my preceptor as a suitable reference. He is, perhaps, know to the Congregational minister of that city. For reference among the Laity I name David Sherfy & G. H. McNeill of our village.

(These are perhaps sufficient)

After much thought and prayer upon the subject, we have not yet fully come to a choice of location in the vast missionary field. But the pressing demand for more aid in China seems impressed upon us forcibly. China appears to be groaning beneath her burden as a cart beneath its sheaves; the call "come over and help us" is urging us to a more full surrender of ourselves into the hands of God that he may direct our steps. Other circumstances, such as the climate, the more frequent communication with our own country, seem to urge China as a field of usefulness and importance upon our minds. Yet Africa has claims that are urgent, and were that benighted continent, as willing to receive the Gospel as China appears to be I would at once say - 'send me to Africa'. Our object is to accomplish all the good we can, and save as many souls as God will enable us to do, therefore we are inclined to go where they are most willing to receive us. I am not well acquainted with your opperations as an association and must therefore leave it to the committee to say what part of China we shall be sent to.

I have never seen your manual of instruction or requirements and cannot therefore reply emphatically to the third item of your letter, unless this be taken is satisfactory, I see nothing objectionable in the practical working of either the Congregational or Presbyterian churches, and I certainly have none of that sectarian

bigotry which would cause me to differ with my brethren in the essential requirements to salvation. I expect to 'cordially' take upon me the part allotted me in the 'work' and 'harmoniously' cooperate with those who are thus laboring for the glory of God.

I will briefly state my Theological views — I believe in the Trinity of the Deity — The utter depravity of the human heart, produced by the transgression of our first parents. — Jesus Christ is the Son of God — and by him we have redemption through his blood. — Man can do nothing that is meritorious in the sight of God, and unless he be regenerated by the Grace of God even the motive for his best acts is impure — But the Spirit of God, which is a free gift on His part, enlightens our minds, convinces our understanding reveals to us our depravity, and when yeilded to on our part, will lead us to Christ, and when we thus see our 'danger and our remedy' and claim the merits of His death by faith (which is partly the effort of our own will, and partly the convincing power of the Holy Spirit) — we are then saved from our sins, and receive the adoption of Children of God — That God chooses to save those who are saved is correct — also that those who become reprobates — do so of their own choice in the rejection of the salvation which is offered them.

However — These mooted Theological questions, to my mind are not essential to salvation. I believe that it is the duty and priveledge of every sinner to come unto Christ that he may have eternal life — then when they have tasted of this power of the world to come — to go forward to all the heights and depths, lengths and breadths of the fullness of redemption that is freely given us through His sufferings and death —

As to the Church visible — It is, or should be composed of those only who are thus saved from sin and regenerated in heart — The form of Church government which I prefer, is the Congregational — for this reason — it is better calculated to make every member feel their own responsibility in the church and world, than any other. Such a cumberson retinue of ecclesiastic functionaries as are

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connected other forms of church government are only calculated to oppress the laity, bury their tallents, and make them the tools of money loving time searving, sin upholding clergy-

War - I believe - to be contrary to the spirit of the Gosple at varience with a high moral state of society, and is only sent, or permitted, as a punishment for the sins of nations - Yet God does at times over rule its effects for good - but it is never on that account to be encouraged or upheld by the people of God.

Intemperance, is the curse of our land - and no Christian can enjoy the approval of a good conscience and the smiles of God - and not make every effort to rid the world of it. I have the credit of being the most ultra temperance man in this community - as well as the 'most rank abolitionist', to be found -

As to the use or trafic in Tobacco - Your views correspond with mine - in a word - These bodies are to be the temples of the Holy Ghost - and we should not mar the physical being with any destructive poison in the shape of beverages, stimulants, food or Medicine, neither should our spiritual being be poluted by an adherence to iniquity - either Moral - Social or Political. — Of course I endeavor to live by the above principles.

I have a wife and an adopted child, a boy 4 years of age, whom we want to take with us. His mother is dead and his father unable to take care of him -

Mrs. Lee is not willing to part with him, and we would expect to have him with us.

Should we receive an appointment, we could be ready to sail in two months from the notice thereof.

Upon a more thorough examination of my pecuniary affairs, I find that the present condition of the currency and the lack of grain to sell among many of my patrons, will cause a large loss on my farm and I shall not have enough left to prepare me an outfit. I thought it best to be frank and inform you of my true condition.

Please send me another pamphlet.

Awaiting your further instruction I am

Yours with respect

David J. Lee

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Please send me the pamphlet mentioned in your letter of 8/1/55

David J. Lee
Perryville, Ind.
Feb 22/55.

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Fairtown 2nd March 1858

Dear Brother Jaspar

I write you a little note now to say a few words. In about 10 days you will receive a full letter. I learn from Mr Ezzidio that we are owing him some. How much I have not learned. I shall take his acct down to Mr Burton. If right

Lewis Jaspar Esq

N. C. Jaspar
March 1858
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send him a draft for £100. or £200. if necessary. This draft will be sent to England probably by the steamer the last of this month. If so you will get it about the ~~last~~ Middle of April. We are all well & all seem pleased with Freetown. I have arranged to all remain on the Brig until we go to Sherbro & to go down in her to Good Hope. for $170. This I suppose you will have to pay at New York on the arrival of the Brig home. in April. I hear that all are comfortable at the Mission. From what we hear I infer that the brethren are making an effort to open at Mela & Mo Bwavi at once.

Love to your excelent lady & family from wife & self

Affectionately

J. C. Jeffs

No 2 Rev G. Jeffs

March 2nd 1855

Dear Brother Whipple.

Mr Ezzidey over at Hun would be glad to have you send from Mr E Whitington ½ Doz of Each of his different kinds of Mens & boys summer hats as samples. He wishes to open trade in New York. He will pay us here or send a bill of Exchange. Please send us by the first vessel after this arrives Then ½ Bbls Best wht flour

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Mr Eggleston would also
like to have you send him
10 Ps Blue Cot Drill } Medium
10 " White " "
10 (Pbls) Pbls Flour
One ¼ " Fulton Beef
Mark them "John Eggleston"
Fulton
S. L.

Good by. Remember me
to bro Jocelyn & Baldwin &
your family
In love J. C. Jeffs

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Geo Whipple

Paw Mondi March 2/55

Dear Bro George Whipple, Yours of Jan 7/55 was rec'd this week - on my return from Mo Kelly.

I fully agree with you, in the propriety of 2 travelling together - that thereby a report of things more accurate & satisfactory, may be made - & I should delight, very much to have any suitable companion - one who understood Geology, Mineralogy, &c - & if he could take Latitude &c all the better - but with compass, & close observation, a tolerably true account can be given of courses, distances &c - if we have a good watch.

Of course I could not think of going till my place is filled by others - till the Mission is strengthened, so as not to suffer by my absence -

I wait the leadings of Providence in this & all other matters. If Martha cannot come, I feel that I ought to travel more, before going home. If she comes that will cut me off from travelling much -

My travels this time would be more reliable than before, because I should observe closely - whereas before I did not think of taking courses, distances &c. And now, I could sketch many things which would be an advantage -

Should you prevail on Martha to come, we must be appointed at the Rooms, & the high lands for she says she cannot come, to live at Paw Mondi - I think if you should write to her, & say that she should go at once to Mo Toppan, (which would please Brooks) she would think seriously about coming to me -

Brooks wants some one to take charge of preaching, & let matters at Mo Toppan, & let him devote his energies to the schools. This would be well. He is well fitted for it.

I trust the new company will do well, & that there may be no difficulty - there shall not be on my part - but we have our fears - yet hope, & pray Lord, for the best. - To you, George, I say it - the reason why we fear - the Doctor, & Burton feel very bitter towards Jeff - & all the while he has been absent - could not speak pleasantly about him - the Dr cant keep it in - but blabs it out, very imprudently to me - to Hannah & Ann. And Mary B. A. cant bear Louisa. You ask the cause - There is no just cause for either of them to feel so - yet they do. I hope, for the honor of Xt, they will have sense enough to hold their feelings, & not poison the minds of the new comers against Jeff. & wife - but I do fear & tremble, lest they should not. Bro Condit's mind was filled, before he reach R.M. I have gently suggested, that we be very careful, what we say, to new comers - but yet have many trembling. O! it is distressing - But so it is - May God help us. I am determined to bridle my tongue, & try to be careful.

Bro do you think I will not take counsel from my brethren? It is entirely a mistake. None have longed for counsel more than I - but when have I had it? I am willing to yield, bear, give up, & suffer, to please others - in matters where principle is not concerned - I have not perested my peculiar notions on others. I have let them walk their own way, when they would not walk mine easy - When Jeff was here, I did not oppose his baptizing children - told him to do it, when a mother requested it - but he did not - & when I am left to act according to my own judgment, I do it, the best I know, & since he left I have conserated in my way, to children - If others come & baptize children I shall not oppose - but they must bear the responsibility, & consequences -

I refer you to my letter to my Wife - 4 sheets of Journal &c. & to my Fathers. for particulars about our state & prospects,, I cannot repeat - Read. take out any thing you wish, & forward, as soon as convenient - to Martha. & father. -

I have a word, to lay before the Committee -

We have here a number of boys, who need a better education than they can get here - to see & know more of the world than they can know here - in order to fit them for greater usefulness, to their fellow countrymen - viz James R Anderson - Charles G Tucker. George C Caulker, William B Tucker. & Charles Jones. - the 4 former to study Theology, & some higher branches, at Oberlin - the last to make a thorough Blacksmith. - Burton & Brooks, with whom I have talked, agree with me in this. My idea is this - Should my Wife not be able to come, & I should go home, let me take the boys to Oberlin. Take a house, & settle Martha there. & make it my home - to counsel, & watch over the boys. Martha, in my absence, would be interested to do all she could for them. & let them make it a kind of home, at my house - they might board, & lodge there - & while each one is pursuing study, learn a trade - one, a Carpenter, one a Chair maker - one a Cabinet maker, & the others be prepared to return to Africa to teach the people in work, as well as Science & Theology - Would not this be a way to obtain permanent, & efficient labourers, to carry on the work here? Could the Society better expend a few hundred dollars, than in thus fitting 4 or 5 promising young men for the Missionary work? - or, if I was home, I could easily collect enough, to bear all extra expenses. —— I feel that it is important. Please consider, & let me know, as soon as possible - before I conclude to come home. May the Lord direct your decision.

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We have made some effort to get Welak - but the Mahommedan influence, as yet stands in our way - tho we have not rec'd a negative answer - Tipsicummah & Kalipah have no business over that part - only as they are strong, & all the more feeble Chiefs who over the country dare not act unless these 2 approve - They have to go to them before taking any new step! - so it is - And as the Soosoo & Mahommedan parties are becoming somewhat jealous of our extending so rapidly, they will do all they can to prejudice the minds of the native lords of the soil - & will, perhaps defeat our efforts. We cant yet tell the result. Perhaps the offer of a sight of goods - may overcome their opposition - If so, I propose to give, $500. if we cant get Welak without. It is very important. Get that, & we are beyond the control of Tipsicummah - Then we can begin next at Mo Kelly, without any hindrance - the old king anxious for us - & from there - Interior up the Long a 100 miles, to head of navigation -

Give us therefore the sanction of the Com'rs to stock for money, if by it, we can secure 100 acres at Welak. Its importance cannot be overrated -

If we do not get it this season, we may another.

We now have Big Boom, & Little Boom, open for our stations - Let not the want of a few dollars, prevent our gaining long & thus secure a straight overland road to Mo Tappan - Then Welak is so convenient for a health recruiting station. Daniel O. Leart is now deeply interested in training up the children of this country, & he wants to be at it - & I rejoice heartily to see it. May God give you all needed grace & wisdom - & provide laborers, & funds, to save this benighted people. With many prayers for you

I remain Your loving Bro Geo Thompson

Geo Thompson
Mo Coin
March 21 1855
I do not come home, I want Barnes' or Revelation, & Isaac

378, George St. Free Town, Sierra Leone, Mar 2nd 1857

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1854				
Nov 15	To Cash paid Postage for a letter from England per "Bacchante" addressed Rev Br Officer to my Card	.	6	.
21st	4 dozen Red Thread a 1/6		6	
	2 Jars Butter 16 lbs ea — 32 — 1/8¼	2	14	8
22nd	Cash lent Br Edward H Green passed to your a/c as per advise of Br Burton	/		

	of Dr Burton	1		
	2 ds lbs Onions		8	4
	10 " Raisins		4 3/4	
	2 ps Blacking		1	6
Decem 2nd	Cash paid to Wm Kennet due on the 1st		5	
16	Cash paid for Warfage for goods bonded in the Warehouse ex Comet Capt Levitt from New York		5	
23	Cash paid to Labourers for conveying 6 Packages to Warehouse landed ex Comet		4	
26	Cash paid to Mrs Chamber due on the 22d		5	
	do paid labourers for bringing up 2 pkgs & carrying down again of the same the Warehouse being closed		4	
27	do paid labourers for conveying to Warehouse 3 pkges ex Comet		6	
	Carried forward	£	6	6.

1855	Am't Bro't forward					6	6.
Jan 4 6	To cash paid to Wm Bennett			5			
9	9 Oars	2/		18			
	10 lbs Coffee			10			
	1 Keg 100 lbs American 8d nails @	5d	2	1	8		
	58 lbs do 6 "		1	"	10		
	20 lbs do 10 "			8	4		
	1 Bale Blue Baft 60 pcs	9/3	27	15	"		
$120	34 pcs 2 Blue Satin Stripe	7/	11	18	"		
	1 doz Tumblers			15			
	2 Kegs Butter 15 lbs each – 30	1/6	2	15			
$143	1 Barrel Brown Sugar 191 lbs	6d	4	15	6		
	cash paid Oldfield & Co for 12 Gallons ground nut Oil		3				
	cash paid Warehouse rent on the 9 packages on Comet bonded on the 16 December 1854			6	1		
	cash to Cancemen for buying fish				3		
16th	do do do				3		
27	do paid Mrs Chamberlain by order			5		56	3 11

27	do paid Mrs Chamber as per order		5	56	3	11
Febry 3rd	do " to Wm Bennet		5			
8th	Cash to Mrs Robert as per order of Mr Burton dated 31st Jan^y	1	8			
13th	1 Albion Iron Bar 14¼ lbs @ 3d		3	7		
	Cash paid for 5 lbs Oakum		1	½		
	do do 4 lbs Pitch		2	4		
14	do do 2 lbs do		1	2		
	do paid Blacksmith for making 2 Mast Clamps 2/		4			
	Cash paid John Robert Ship-carpenter for corking & Caring Canoe and putting 2 clamp Iron to the masts		8	4		
15	Cash to Canoe men for food		1			
16	do. do. do.		1			
17	1 Bale Blue Baft 60 pcs 9/3	27	15			
	1 Cask Roman Cement	1	5			
18	1 do Portland do	1	12	6	33	7 11½
	Carr forward				£95	17 10½

1855	To Amt Brot forward				95 17 10½
Feb 14	1 Case Conty 6 dz & 10 Matches ⅋	2	7	10	
	1 Bale 2 Blue Satin Stripe 70 p ⅋	24	10		
	1 do 60 pcs Manchester Batt 8 ⅋	24			
	Cash paid labourers for conveying the above to Warf		2	6	
	Cash to Carrumen for food on the voyage to Sherbro		4		
	2 Paint Brushes 2/6		5		
	12 Mortas 1/5, 1/6		2	11	
24	Cash paid Mrs Chamberlain as per order		5		
24	24 yards Cordplin		12		
	1 Sad Iron		1	9	
	Cash			3	52 11 3
Mar 2nd	do paid to Mrs Fry for washing as per order of Rev J. C. Siffert dated this day	3	4	9	
3rd	Cash paid William Bennell		5		
	5 lbs Arrowroot 3d		1	3	
	12 Imitation Rose Wood Chairs ⅋	4	4		7 15

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Dec 27	2 Grinding Stones 107 lbs @ 3	1	6	9
1855 Jan 4 3	1 do do 24		6	
6th	Cash received from Myers Smith & Pratt for Watches repaired for them	1	6	½
13 29	2 Grinding Stones 73 lbs		18	3
31	1 do do 28 lbs	7	62	15 3
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Freetown S. L. 3rd March 1855

Rev Geo Whipple Cor Sec
A. M. A. 48 Beekman St. N.Y.

Dear Brother

I last week dispatched you a letter via England accompanied by a note for Br Lafayan & letters for the brethren's friends & one for Mr Molay. In mine to you I said that we arrived here after a voyage of 34 days on the 26th ult all well. The Gov Brown arrived on the 28th ult 2 days after us. We have not seen any one from the Mission. But hear that although Br Brokelte & Burton have been in disposed they are all better at the last advices. From what I hear from letters which we found here & other sources I judge that they are driving business at the Mission. I learn that Dr Cole has already employed a teacher & commenced operations at Mo Bwavi. Mr & Mrs Grant have been sent up to Hahon the head of navigation on the Little Boom to begin a school there.

Mr & Mrs Pitt from Freetown take
Mr & Mrs Greens place at Kawmende.
Mr Brooks has a Mr Johns, for teacher. I also
hear that Br Burton has been up to Wela &
made arrangements to commence
there immediately after our arrival.
We have made arrangements with
Mr Kidd, Mr Ware's agt. for the Big to take
us & two down to Good Hope for the sum of
$ 170. We are to sail for there this A.M.
I suggest that you should send us
by the first vessel sailing, after this arrives.
In addition to Flour 3 half Bbls Good Beef
6 ℔ candles Wick, 1 Doz 2 ℔. Long handled Dipper
2 Doz Comm. Palm Leaf Fans, 3 Ps Blue Cot
Drill, 3 do Bleach Cot. Drill. Send for
John Ezzidio, our agt. here, ½ Doz Each of
the different kinds of Mens & boys hats kept
by Lyne & Whiting & Co. He wishes to open
trade with some one in America in such
articles. He will pay us here. Send him
from Halsted & Hayne & Co. 10 Ps Blue Cot
Drill 10 do White Cot. Drill & 1 half
bbl of Family Beef. Mark his J. Ezzidio Freetown
S.L. He tells me that we are owing him
somehow much I cannot tell. I shall
take his acct. down to Br Burton & probably send him a Bill of Exchange by the Brig

when she returns. I wrote this to Bro Jappo last week. Mr Burton has been complaining a little for a day or two but I hope that it is nothing more than anxiety about getting to the Mission. I have been kept awake most of the night by a naughty tooth which I think to dispense with this A. M. All the rest are comfortable. All the brethren preached their first sermons yesterday in Africa with much pleasure to themselves. I will try to write again from the Mission by Capt. Hatch.

Remember me very affectionately to all in the Office the Ex. Com., &c to which my dear wife joins. May we all be filled with the Spirit of God to do all His righteous will.

Good by. Your brother Missionary

J. Leslie Tiffany

P.S. Butter is some 37c or 38c here so I think it may be well for you to send us 100# in 4 or 6 kegs or jars packed in a box of fine salt. J. L. T.

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Rev. Geo. Thompson
March 9/55
Received March 25, 1855

Tour Meridi March 9/55

Lewis Tappan, Dear Brother, Your last was rec'd this week. Thank you for not forgetting the lone, toiling, crippled, persecuted Missionary. Letters from dear friends are refreshing cordials to our spirits — we praise the Lord, & take courage. You speak of getting donations from Baltimore, in consequence of my letter. You probably get many donations, not knowing why they are sent, which have been raised in answer to appeals I am continually making, to Brethren, & friends, from Maine to Iowa. But the Lord have all the praise. Some of my Brethren have blamed me, & spoken evil behind me because I spent so much time in writing — at the same time, I was doing from day to day, double the other business they were. God forgive them. I feel that writing letter appeals is a part of my Missionary work. Situated as we are here, we have great advantage over common Agents. Our appeals come from the field of action, & will be heard by many, where common appeals would not. We have many Scholarships here now, in consequence of the letters I wrote on my voyage home, with Wife. Our School is in an interesting condition. The children advancing, & encouraging our hopes for their usefulness. Many of the members are growing in knowledge, & grace. Since I came last, 3 new members have been rec'd — & I receive 2 more next Sabbath. Many are meeting us weekly as enquirers, & converts.

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Geo. Thompson
March 9/55
Received March 25

You speak of some complaining of exaggerations in my Book. Who are they? Let them write to me, noting the page & head where there is any exaggeration, & I will examine & answer for myself, not in Poetry, but sober Prose. Since I came out this time, I have looked over & through my Book to find the "exaggerations", the "hyperbole" &c — & I say to you, Bro Lapham, I cannot find them. They are not there. After all my experience & observation here, since the Book was published, I must say the Book is no exaggeration. But a recital of stern facts, which I found under my personal observation. My conclusions from those facts were not hyperbole. I would reiterate the same, with increased strength. —

But any thing for an excuse for not acting. —

Should I live to come home, a year I shall have matter for 2 more Books — I am not living for myself. —

Write to Bro Hawley, of Baltimore, & see if he cannot sell 100 of the Books there, or more. — The same in other places — Write to friends & get them to undertake to sell 25. 50. or 100. in their neighborhoods. They will more than pay, by increasing your funds.

You say I have not written to you about Mrs Harned's accounts with me. I think you must have rec'd it before now. I wrote fully, as soon as I heard of his death — My letter was dated Dec 5/54 — in which I gave his accounts & statements. The amount due me, according to his own accounts, as sent to me, is $367.29. — ~~had he lived~~ he would have paid every cent.

But I must close — I am robbing nature of sleep — Must leave to you dear Wife, & all friends —

Your aff & devoted Bro Geo Thompson.

I hope, they will not all over company you to "fill up" the Tabernacle — I will do what I can for you — prayer —

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Rec'd Aug 2/55.

Mendi Mission W. A. Sta. 11th Mar. 1855

As I must ~~not~~ stay from meeting this evg to attend on the sick, I snatch a moment ~~to write for monthly concert paper for the perusal~~ of some of my numerous correspondents without taking time to decide which, well knowing letters are due to most of them. But could I give them a just estimate of my labors I doubt not their readiness to ~~send my~~ pardon me for thus seeming to neglect them. It is now almost a year since I have seen the face of a white female; but why speak of that as ~~time~~ before when all the Sisters died who came out with me I was alone 16 months. I only allude to it that such as mourn over my loneliness may know that ~~in it~~ ~~at that time~~ very little time has been taken to brood over it ~~loneliness~~ Indeed I have scarce found time to feel myself alone, ~~while since I have found nowhere~~

Dr. W. I know there are many mistakes in this as it has been written at intervals but I can spare no time to copy it correctly. Indeed I did not intend it for

Rec'd Aug 5th 1855

Though I have only taught during the past year ~~in the Chapel~~ 6 weeks & that in the absence of our principal Teacher yet in the Mission House I have taught from 3 to 6 hours ~~per diem~~ per day. On Sat I have tried to be relieved and sent back those who recite to me with a message to the Teachers that I was engaged in other important avocations, & could not for the present attend to them. But when the Mission House was put in order and cooking done for the Sabbath, (As I keep no domestic from any meeting, or Sabbath School on the Lord day neither allow any fire kindled in the house except in ~~the~~ after breakfast case of sickness ~~of some of the family, after breakfast~~) I have with pleasure heard some of the most advanced pupils ~~who had been teaching~~ Having charge of the ~~Again as those of the family of the House~~ I have many calls and encroachments on my time alas too many to allow me ~~but~~ more than a very few moments for retirement without interruption during the day, ~~either for personal cleanliness or private devotion, without interruption.~~ ~~To say nothing of~~ As to Letterwriting ~~to Friends, for that~~ I have learned to do that in public, as the number of children around me & leaning on my table now, may testify

you when I commenced it But as I was requested to write the various Missionary Societies through the American Missionary I venture to submit this as an apology for writing so few letters this last year

My Dear Sisters in America, whether located ~~either~~ in "Sunny or Shady Side" Parsonages, know very little of the trials of their Missionary Sisters with the untaught, unclad, ~~to say the the least~~ barbarous ~~Sons and Daughters of degraded~~ native Africa for their only domestics ~~—~~ Not to illustrate their filthy habits ~~for that~~ ~~female~~ delicacy shrinks from. Just figure to yourselves a female Missionary located in some African wild among savages who reside in Kraals, or in mud huts without chimneys, windows, or even floors to them, destitute of clothing, whose chief furniture consists of a Mat to sleep on, a Pot to cook rice in, a wooden bowl for water, a calabash or cocoa nut shell for a drinking cup — But ~~this~~ ~~my~~ pen fails! [One needs to see them at their ~~humble~~ meals seated on the ground around their common Rice Pot, eating with their hands without plate or spoon] ~~from one common dish in order~~ to form a correct estimate of what they can be expected to know of civilized society, & their modes of cooking, eating, keeping a house in order, & etc.

as an apology for writing so few letters the past year. But as Sisters have assured me I hope to be more prompt.

For the last year not a day has passed, but putrid sores or ulcers of some description have been dressed in this Mission House, & usually by me. Sometimes I bathe half a dozen sick children in the soon after I rise, ~~in my dressing room~~. This morning I bathed 5 and dealt out 12 doses of medicine, & administered most of it with my own hands.

Though we can calculate very little on assistance during the first year or two, who are unacclimated to the climate

Shall I name some of the diseases which have prevailed here the past year and which it has not been my lot merely to prescribe for; but to act both as physician & nurse. Measles, Mumps, Yaws, Yetter, & Ringworm, Palsy Ague, & Congestive fever, Craw-craw, Dysentery Pleurisy, Coughs, Fora, Piles and Leprosy — to say nothing of the more common ailments of children, & youth, or the infirmities of age, — And I can say that with God's blessing on my humble efforts, I have lost no patient where I have acted in the capacity of both Dr. & Nurse. Though these contagious diseases have gone through our School numbering from 80 to 100 scholars, ~~& thro Br Thomson has taken children from their parents~~, for one reason ~~so that~~ I have sometimes had 20 in the house sick at once, God be praised death has not taken away any of them. ~~But most of them are~~

the subjects of Divine Grace as we humbly trust.
Truly the past has been a year of the right hand of the most High. Though Br Thomson & myself have found plenty to do we have done it joyfully, for the Lord in blessing our labors hath rewarded us an hundred fold. It would have gladdened your hearts to ~~have~~ attend~~ed~~ our meetings which have been much of the time kept up ~~during~~ every evening thro the week & with 5 services on the Sabbath. Glorious seasons have we witnessed when our Chapel has resounded with the prayers, ~~&~~ groans ~~of unutterable anguish~~, of prostrate sinners, begging for mercy, anxiety ~~depicted~~ exhibited in their every gesture, ~~desirous~~ to know what they must do to secure their souls salvation. At such times it has been my privilege to go among them telling them in the most simple language ~~according to their capacity~~ of ~~that~~ that blessed Savior, who left all the glory of heaven, & came down to earth to seek, & save even the vilest of sinners, and have entreated them to fling themselves unreservedly on his arms of mercy often kneeling & praying with, & for them. Then to see them give up dependence on a fleshly arm, and

Do forget the Album Quilt pieced expressly for my
the Female Institute Flavor. Also Chambliss Union Co. S.C.

And as they have hitherto yielded themselves ~~instruments of~~ to uncleanness, & unrighteousness, now to yield themselves ~~instrument of~~ to God to be used in his service, ~~& for the promotion of his cause~~ wherever, ~~& whenever~~ he sees good they should labor — It would ~~be~~ warm ~~and~~ cheer the friends of our mission to ~~have~~ hear them speak of the preciousness of that Dear Savior, who ~~is~~ is no respecter of persons; but is just as willing to save the poor, the ignorant, the despised the outcast, the poor Slave, as the rich or noble. ~~Then~~ they ~~would~~ wonder at that amazing love, which sent Missionaries not to redeem their bodies from bondage merely, but to lead them to the Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the world — ~~It far ~~ ~~redemption than that purchased with silver or gold or any corruptible thing of earth~~ — Many of our scholars tell us they are in haste to get their education in order to go & tell their people about this Savior & to beg of them to renounce their idols, their country fashions, & charms, their greegrees, their deribosh, their fetiches, their witchcraft & Mahomedanism, & polygamy ~~with the~~

But what a value must we place upon it — Assuring me that when adversity overtakes us

~~hort of attending revels, of every name & grade which can debase poor fallen man.~~

Does any one think me unhappy in such labors of love among this benighted people, or that I wish to go home to recruit my failing health? To such I answer No! I cannot leave, ~~then~~ till my call from God is as plain as it was that I should come! The children of the school call me Mother & write to me from the other Stations, address me as their Missionary Mother at K.M. Heaven seems quite as near from this place as America — Death to me has lost its terrors. I rather look forward to it as an entrance into rest — even that rest which remaineth for the people of God — Still it shall be my aim to toil on, and finish the work God has assigned for me in his ~~moral~~ Vineyard, that whenever He calls for me my work may be done and well done.

I have before me a number of letters from various Miss Asso. & Ladies sewing circles who have kindly furnished us with clothing for our schools & some for ourselves, for which we feel grateful not only to them but to Him who put it into their hearts

I may never remember I have warm & sympathizing friends who are ever praying for & remembering us. Thank God we can always feel that we have a home in their hearts.

~~Dear Whipple~~ Allow us to express our thanks through the medium of your papers — To the Free Presbyterian Chh. Deerfield O. our acknowledgement are due for the first fruits of their Female Miss — So — May they prosper & be enabled to do more & more for the cause of Missions & those in the field. And may they experience the blessing promised to such as water of being themselves watered — Ever bearing in mind God loveth a cheerful giver. —

We value the Box from our beloved Sisters in Westfield Pa. The Shirts, Pants, Dresses, ~~Chemise~~ & underclothing, came very opportunely and are what we ever need.

The bundle from Morgan Asst Co — containing Dresses etc for myself I gratefully acknowledge. May their labors be a blessing to themselves & others.

The Ladies in Hallowell Me — remembered with gratitude by us for their Don. May the blessing of those ready to perish be theirs, & their Childrens. Thanks also to our good friends in Hartford Ct. for their oft repeated remembrance of us & ~~our Protege~~ the Orphans — May the good Shepherd reward them in what is better than silver or gold — Even in hearts fitted for his service above & communion & fellowship with all the Saints.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-6991
FISK UNIV.

The inquiry is made of the expense of educating one girl & one boy at Oberlin per year. We estimate it at $80 for each.

A. M. ARCHIVES
FISK UNIV.
NO. 2-6995

Mont 12/57

Dear Bro Whipple - We want more Grind Stones - Please order for Baldwin of Berea - one or two more tons - have them range from 20 lbs to 60 - or 100 - mostly between 20 & 40 - a few from 50 to 100. You recollect - Bro Baldwin promised 5 tons a year to our Mission, if we would dispose of them in Africa. —

If you can send by a vessel, with other goods, that will bring them to Cape Town, it would save us much trouble - Yours Geo Thompson.

G. Thompson
Mich 10/53
Mine Items,

Davie J. Lee
Perryville Ind
Mch 12/55
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F. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FH6995
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Perrysville Ind. March 12th 1855

Rev. George Whipple
Cor. Sec. A. M. A.

Dear sir – Since writing to you ten days ago. I have visited the Rev. Mr. Kingsbury spoken of in my letter; he has informed me, that the Association has no mission stations in China. He also kindly loaned me some books and periodicals – from which I learn of the pressing demand for Missionaries at four Stations in Africa. I had been misled in my opinions of the missions in that benighted land. from reading the accounts published by the American Board of their success at the Zulu mission

I therefore write again to inform you that I am willing and would prefer going to Africa. That country has been my choice from the first, but not knowing the success had been so encouraging my mind was directed elsewhere.

I have been reading "Thompson in Africa", which has given me much light upon the subject. My wife is delighted with the prospect of usefullness that is opened up before her in such a station as that, and is ready to sacrifice the comforts of home and her native land, and willing to consecrate herself to the work. She being also a Physician, would be an invaluable auxiliary to myself and the mission.

We read with regret of the sufferings and untimely deaths of so many of the missionaries sent to the Karo-Mendi Station. We beleive that most if not all of it might be avoided by proper medical attention. As we do not belong to the Allopathic school our views and principles are very different from those advanced upon disease in general, and more particularly in reference to the acclimating process which emigrants to that country pass through. In that respect we agree with Bro. Thompson that no "strong medicines" i.e. no poisons, should be used; indeed we discard them altogether; our system is founded upon physiological laws, and our remedies always of a sanitive character. Our success in practice leads us to beleive we would be instrumental in saving many of the lives of ~~many~~ valuable missionaries should we be sent to Africa. This too is one of the motives that prompts us to offer ourselves to your board. We with Bro. Thompson discard the use of Coffee, Wine, and all alcoholic stimulants whatever as beverages.

We are now partially acquainted with Phonotypy & Phonography, and intend to devote more attention to it before we would sail, that we might be useful as translators. Whatever station we might be called upon to fill we hope to be able to discharge its duties however arduous and pressing.

Should there be a demand for help among the Copts, we would be willing to go there; we ~~are willing~~ do

to commit it into the hand of the Lord and the judgment of Your Committee.

Should we be sent to Kaw-mendi - we would much like, to have Bro. Thompsons' wife accompany us. We regret that she was compelled to return to this country on account of her health. We think our services would obviate that barrier to her aiding and comforting her husband, that man of God. — I speak unadvisedly - she may have returned to Africa.

Trusting that you will find our references satisfactory, in relation to our christian character, we await your decission with hope. I have lately had an opportunity to dispose of my property to advantage and I am deferring the final action in the matter until I hear from you. I will then be ready at a short notice to sail provided we receive an appointment.

With many prayers for the success of the cause,

Yours in Christ.

David J. Lee

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. _____
FISK UNIV.

March 13th 1855

My dear Mary,

I was to have written you long before now but for want of time & a favorable opportunity I was oblige to postpone it until the present. We long to hear from you & you from us. Twelve months have elapsed since we have not communicate to each other, but I am thankful to say that we still have the same love & the same feelings towards you as we had two years ago though we are far from each other. The other day we ~~the~~ made up our minds to send you Abby our dear daughter as a token of affection & regard, to stay with you for two or three months but we dont know who to trust her with. One of us might come but we have our hands full Mrs Decker could not leave home in consequence of the children and I am so much pressed with my circuit work, I hardly stay

at home for two weeks together. If you make no objection of Affey coming to see you & to spend some time with you, you must let us know before the commencement of the racing season, you may keep her there as long as you have in mind to, or send her back at the first opportunity we did not like to send her away from home, but as we have no time to pay you visit we thought we could in no other way show our love to you than to send you our daughter. We hope things are going on well with you & all in the Middlin we have not heard from our friends, Mr. Brooks for a long time. How is he? We hope he is well & doing well. Give our love to him to Sarah & all the friends and accept the same to self

Yours Affectionately
S. H. Decker

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Mullen Tefft
order to pay
E R Ware for
conveying mis-
sionaries to
Shelter Island
March 14/56
$170.

To E. R. Ware

Lewis Tappan Esq
48 Beekman St
New York

Simeon Tappan Esqr Treasurer of the American Missionary Association. Please pay E. R. Ware or order the sum of one hundred and seventy dollars, the same being, for the passage of self and company from Sierra Leone to Sherbro Island.

(£170.)

J Carter Teph

Good Hope Africa
14th March 1855

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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NO. FI-6993

Good Hope 15th March 1855

Rev. J. G. Jeffs
Mch 15/55
Rec'd & ans.
Entered &
S.W.
13 Aug '55
Same things
& following
Not ahead

Mr Geo Whipple Corr. Sec.
& Lewis Tappan Treas. A.M.A.
48 Beekman St New York

Dear Brethren

I hope you will Excuse my writing to you on one sheet of paper instead of writing to each separately. I do it for two reasons 1st I have not time to write two 2nd I have nearly the same things to write to each of you. I know not but what I shall offend you & that you will think me going contrary to your plain instructions, I hope neither. That I refer to is the matter of your requesting me to assume my office of Treasurer of the Mission. I have not shown your letter on that point to our General Meeting which has convened this day. I told Bro. Brooks & Thompson of the letter its contents. But I found such a state of things here, on my arrival, that I was convinced that the peace and prosperity of the Mission would be better secured by my stepping aside & permitting Dr Cole to step into the place your instructions had assigned me. If I had supposed that your instructions

were like the laws of the Medes & Persians
I should not have done as I have. Have I
done right or wrong? If not, if it is your will
I shall find it my pleasure to fulfill your
further instructions. I have done this at
the earnest advise & request of bro Brooks and
Thompson. They were fully of the opinion that
this course was the only one which would keep
one ~~or~~ or more of those on the ground from
returning to America. I thought that I had
better do, as I have said to you in conversa-
tion, his labor in any place & with any one
rather than have the work of Christ there.
O for peace & harmony! It is a very precio-
us jewel! I as you will learn from Dr
Cole, am appointed to go to Mo Tapsan to
be associated with bro Brooks in trying
to carry on Mo T & Mo Bwari.
I found the mission more in debt than I ex-
pected when at Fletown at the time wrote to
you by Capt. Miller. At bro Burtons request
on the 10th inst if my memory serves me. I drew
on Brown Shipley & Co for £200. at 4
months in favor of John Ezzidi Esq our
Agt at Fletown. Dr Cole if you think
best, as I think you will, to satisfy our
action will keep you informed as to our
farther need of funds. in "Letters of Credit."

On the whole I think things have been going on as prosperously as could be expected under the circumstances. I suppose that a resolution with my name attached to it may be sent home requesting that you do not send out Br Gray again. You may think this contrary to my mind while in America, tell my mind has been changed in this matter just as in deviating in my own case from your instructions. As far as I can see peace demands this step. Some of the things referred to in the paper I cannot touch for I only take them from Br Brooks & Br Thompson, I am hartily sorry! But if the state of things exist which they speak about he ought not to come. My health has not been so good since my landing as before, I have not been able to endure but very little, ~~not~~ not more if as much as before I went home. I suffered for about a week from an ulcered tooth and a swelled face & for some season I donot recover my strength which was almost entirely prostrated by it. Mrs Tefft remains quite well, so do all the rest of our Company, thus far. For this I think that we are really thankful. Brother Burton was quite sick when we arrived, but appears better now. He talks some of going home with Capt Hatch. If he does this

he probably will accompany this note.
Before I forget it, permit me to say that I have
sent an order for Mr E. R. Ware for our extra fare
from Sierra Leone to Sherbro Island, amounting to
$170. He found it a very great saving of strength &
exposure indeed. 16th March. Yesterday we had a
general meeting, at which we resolved to ask you for
shingles, Iron Pillars & Bright Varnish for the house at Rawmundi.
I speak of it to say that the varnish is that kind which is used
upon the decks of vessels. I make no order Br Cole will do all
such business I suppose. I shall make the suggestions
to him which you have to me relative to keeping you in
informed as to the affairs of the Mission & the supplying
of funds &c. Bro Brooks & Bro Thompson were
willing & I think I may say anxious that Br Cole
should be Ordained but he utterly refused. And Bro Buston
says he was not cut out for a Minister. Today we have en-
joyed the pleasure of setting apart Bro Brooks to the sacred office
of the Christian Ministry. The order was as follows. Opening exercises
& reading the scriptures by Bro Tefft. Prayer by Bro Flickinger
Charge to Candidate by " Shuey. ordaining prayer by Bro
Thompson. & right hand of fellowship by Rev. Dr Kumler. After
the ordination services the following service occurred.
Married at the Good Hope station of Mundi Mission
by Rev Jas Cutter. Tefft. Rev John. S. Brooks of Mo
Tappan Bom River to Miss Susan Trall formerly
of Albany N.Y. late of the Mission among the fugitives of
Canada West. Please publish this in the Oberlin Evan-
gelist & Independent & National Era if you think best.
Good by for the present. I suppose that owing to my present
relations to the Mission, you will not hear from me as often as
formerly. Be sure that both of you tell me how you look upon
& feel about my disobedience to your instructions. Love to all
in the office & all the members of each of your family's.
From self & wife Your brother Hutter Tefft

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-6996
FISK UNIV.

Perrysville Ind. March 15th 1855

Rev. George Whipple
Cor. Sec. A. M. A.

Dear sir - by the last mail I sent you a letter in which you will perceive I have changed my mind in relation to China. I trust my frequent epistles will not be annoying to you. I had not then received yours of the 6th, which now lies before me. In reply I would state -

I received no answer to my application to the A. B. C. F. M. save a "Manual of Instructions for Missionary Candidates". By perusing it, I found that my application was not in form, though drawn up under the direction of the Rev. Wm L. Buffett, and accompanied by a letter of recomendation from him as pastor of the congregation with whom I worshiped. (He has since resigned and is not now at home). I intended to apply formally again, but as I had only applied to them upon the supposition that they had at last got right on the Slavery Question; when I beheld the duplicity manifested by the Rev. S. B. Treat in his letter to a Southern Gentleman, published in the Dec. 1854 No. of the Christain Press; I immediately renounced all thoughts of connecting myself with that Board. I never wrote again, and I never had a letter from any of the Board. The truth is that though I have been antislavery

in my views from childhood; and a member of the M. E. Church for ten years. I was blinded by the action of that church, and thought I could hold my membership with a church in the northern states and not be culpable for the connection of that church with slavery; but the Lord has enlightened my mind and henceforth my hands shall be clean from that sin.

The pamphlets & papers have not arrived, but they will perhaps soon. The high water in the Wabash valley has deranged the mails considerably this week.

The "peculiar call of providence" for missionaries in the Marquesas Islands, is one which should be answered if possible, but Your Com. are best able to judge who are capable of filling the station. My destination I submit to the Ex. Com. should they see proper to employ me. I would not prefer a mission in this continent.

Awaiting your action in the matter,

I am Yours with respect.

David J. Lee

David J. Lee
Tippecanoe Ind
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G. Thompson

Good Hope. March 15/55

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We the undersigned, acquainted with Saml. Gray.- Hearing that there is a prospect of his being sent back to Africa - do hereby request the Ex Com. not to send him again to this Mission -

Reasons. 1st His tobacco practices.

2d His fighting principles - not being willing to take words of reproof, or contradiction, from Missionaries, or natives - falling out with, & knocking down the latter - drawing pistols on them &c - And always declaring his determination to shoot should the latter ever molest.

3d Whether he is guilty or not, we dont pretend to say - but it is the general impression on the minds of all Country people, & school children that he has been guilty of frequent acts of Fornication with the older School girls - With this conviction on their minds, should he be sent to the Mission again they would look upon us as guilty

countenance of the sin in our Missionaries, while we severely condemn it in the Natives.

Geo. Thompson
John A. Brooks
J. Cutler, Jeffd
T. G. Cole
D. W. Burton

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-6997
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Ex Committee of
A. M. A. Association
48 Beekman St
New York

T. G. Cole, Sr. Conn

March. 15th 1853

A. M. E. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-1998
FISK UNIV.

By special call the Annual meeting of the Missionaries, of the Kaw Mendi Mission West Africa met in the Chapel of Good Hope Station. The meeting was organized by Electing, W. J. Shrey Chairman Dr T. G. Cole Sec.

On Motion of Dr T. G Cole Brs. Thompson, Brooks, and Tefft were appointed a Committe to prepare business for consideration of said meeting

Suggested by Com.te that remarks be made on the condition & wants of the Stations. Read the letter from C. Sect. G. M. E. A. A resolution cordially seconding

Reports from several Stations given verbally.

Progress ~~such~~ as good as could be expected.

Proceeded to a division labor, for the year.

J. Thompson. Miss H. More. Miss J. Winters. Miss. S. Woolsey. to Kaw Mendi Station —

J. S. Brooks. J. C. Tefft & — for Mr Tappan

T. G. Cole. for Sec'l Stn. D. W. Burton. Mrs. B. & Miss M. B. Aldrich. to Good Hope Station.

Br Burton to be at liberty to go to Wela as soon as he may be able —.

The Brethren here from the "United Brethren in Christ" to be counted, Shrey at G. Hope. Kumler

& Hitchinger, at Kaw Mendi — all to be at liberty to go and come, as they may see good to their ends, and object in coming here —

Res. that our Agent immediately send to America for Shingles, Lumber, & pillars for the covering of house at Kaw Mendi station

Resolved, In view of the failure of Mrs Thompson's health, and inasmuch as she has declared that she cannot return to Africa, to be stationed at Kaw Mendi, should she be able to return, that Br T. & wife if necessary, be appointed to a station higher up in country —

Resolved, that we will, in no case knowingly aid in war, by presents, influence, or submit to extortion by war customs, &c

Resd that T. G. Cole, J. S. Brooks, J. C. Jeffers be a committee to confer with the board of the Brethren now with us —

Resd that this Meeting be recorded as in place of the regular annual meeting which passed by default —

Moved to adjourn — to Semi-annual Meeting —

W. J. Shuey, Clerk — T. G. Cole, Pres't

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-6999
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope, Mission House, Shubroodstan
Wednesday Morning, Mar. 21. 1855.

Dear Brother Whipple

To day I step upon the borders of a new year in my life journey, thirty two of which have past rapidly and confusedly away. What reasons are such life marks for reflection, humiliation, and prayer. What regrets that so much of time slides from our hands without the marks of noble godly use. What a host of blank days, hours, and moments will meet us at the judgment. O, but for Christ we could not meet them, they would bring us in shame and immortal reproach. But Christ forgives & we live on.

Protracted life is so necessary to the carrying out of our plans & the completion of our labors for the children, the center of our hopes for Africa that health & life are to be regarded as the greatest blessings of life. That I am permitted to live I regard as a great blessing for which I cannot but be greatful, yea more than greatful.

I thank you my dear Brother for the confidence you have seen fit to place in me, as the strongest expression of which I regard your invitation for me to receive orders. Though I am unworthy I have with humility, solemnity and cheerfulness complied with your request. The Ordination took place on Friday last at Good Hope.

I thank you also and the Ex. Com, for your kindness to me in appointing Miss Tall to this Mission & to her in so promptly supplying her wants. And to us jointly & by reassuring us of your confidence, prayers, and kind wishes for our health, happiness and usefulness. That God may grant in infinite mercy all and more than our fears will allow us to grasp by sanguine hope in the matter of usefulness we shall ever pray.

I am happy to say that after the ordination exercises were closed the mediated union between Miss Tall and myself was solemnly consummated by the rites of matrimony. Regard us not as hasty in this step, if occasion requires you shall know our reasons fully.

The House at Mr Tapson is not yet finished but as soon as time and effort will fit it for use we shall take the ladies appointed

to this station up the Broom. But we do not feel disposed to hurry them going interior untill they can be as well provided for there as at the other stations. Sister Jeffs will stop at K. M., and Mr Brooks will stay at Good Hope with Sister Mary & Brother Burton. I suppose that by the space of two months we shall have the honors tenantable, & then shall take up the ladies & Br. Cumler.

The station is prosperous and most respectf.

The meeting was an interesting and quiet one.

I shall be more particular when I can get time.

Excuse haste, for I have been called off more than a dozen times in writing this.

Truly yours.

J. Saml. S. Brooks.

Rev. J. S. Brooks
March 21/1855.

Examined for wants

T. G. Cole
Mch 21/85

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7000
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Good Hope Station
March 21st 1885

Rev G. Mupple.
Cor. Sect. A. M. A. N. York —

Dear Sir. I here with enclose to you a rough sketch of the proceedings of the meetings of the Missionaries of Mendi Mission. They are not quite full — as recorded — but will give an idea of their proceedings —

The resolution for obtaining of the supplies for the houses in Kaw Mendi was moved by Thompson. Sec'd by Tapp —

The house is in bad condition — and is made worse by to much patching — but whether shingles. or tin — or jointed boards would be best is questionable. The varnish is for putting on the shingles in the stead of paint — The pillars are the iron. ones spoken of before —

Mangrove might be used with brick but Iron would look better and be of use as long a house could be maintained without renewing —

I know not what has been ordered by others heretofore, and wish you to send what ever has been order by Lefft. or Barton, or has been suggested by Barton, whether in form of order or not, if consistent

We wish some strong Pad locks with hasps & staples. (hasp 8 inches long.) for our use. assorted. also assorted door locks, large & strong. a half doz each. Thieves are too common —

I am obliged to stop for time

Yours &c T. G. Clark

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7001
FISK UNIV.

1855

Danville Ill. March 22

Geo. Whipple. Cor. Sec.

Dear Sir. Yours of the 6th came by the last mail. having been missent to Danville Ind. Bro. Buffet of Perryville Ind. is gone on a visit to Michigan. so you have not probably heard from him. I regret these unavoidable delays.

Two months since I was at Perryville visiting an old abolitionist, Dr Lee came in. and was cordially introduced. The Dr. said he was very glad to see me. as he wished to make enquiries about your Board of Missions. He had offered a thot of offering himself to the A. B. C. F. M. but thot they had receded from their action at Hartford against slavery.

I spent some two hours with him & liked his views & demeanor. Recently he called on me and spent an hour or two much as before. enquired if I had heard from you &c. He wished to see Bro. Stinson, one of your Missionary Colporters in this Co. a very good man. So I sent Mr. Stinson down and he spent 3 days there & preached last Sabbath. I asked him how he liked the Dr. & his Lady. he said very well he enjoyed his visit very much. He thought morthly of Mrs. Lee. Both very intelligent and good physicians of the Botanic school. graduates at Cincinnati.

Had Stinson remained an hour longer, I should have questioned more critically & got his aid in answer

ing your very important queries. But as Bro. S. knew he was expecting an appointment and recommendation from me, I presume he would have suggested if he knew or heard aught against the Dr. & Lady.

I have just called on a judicious member of the Methodist E. Ch from Perryville to which the Dr. belonged but having some difficulty he left that Ch.

Friend Brown says, they are good physicians, well informed, zealous, & active; but the Dr. particularly, too impudent, free spoken & positive, & hence will always have enemies. He thinks he has a mission to fulfill and knows how to do it. means well, and intends to do well, but lacks judgment.

How far Mr. Brown's opinion may be biased on account of his difficulty with the Ch I know not, but he would not knowingly or willingly say any thing wrong of the Dr. Whether the Ch or Dr. were most in fault I know not. Still if he said openly & plainly half the truth against slavery, and war, the Ch, would be rebuked and oppose him. I should not expect any man to live in peace & yet discharge his duty on those subjects. The Ch then would not like to have its peace disturbed by the ultra notions of a little upstart Dr. Prudence & common sense are all important. still both combined with faithfulness will not always secure a good name or screen from reproach.

He may not be any too forward for a leader. and when that is his acknowledged position, he may be much more acceptable.

I am inclined to think, all things considered they are as fair candidates for useful missionaries as, are often found.

I expect to be at Perrysville 2nd - in 9 days to spend a Sabbath, and will enquire further. If I find cause to write again, I will do so from there.

If I think him not fit for a foreign field, I will try to persuade him to go to Kansas. I think some of going there myself in May or June - and if needed to stay the western march of slavery I may spend my days there. I am seriously thinking that some of the pioneers of the West ought to go and aid the infant settlers by their counsel & experience. I know that eastern men lack much practical knowledge which is very important for emigrants in a new & prairie country. They are not good judges of land, the best localities or best & easiest methods of cultivating it. But by far the most important thing is to marshal and train them for fighting manfully and successfully the battles of freedom and the Lord. Kansas will be the great battlefield and [illegible] now there may be such for ages to come.

A. McC. ARCHIVES
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I have been querying whether I had better go on my own hook or responsibility or under the direction of the A. & F. M. S. or some other society. Do you send or wish to send any missionaries there. If so, I would offer for 6 months & perhaps for life. & leave the old roof that that has sheltered me 28 years - not with the hope of being more at ease or getting more of earth but with the hope of doing more good

It is most likely I will write again from Perryville.

Yours in bonds of the Gospel

E. Kingsbury.

Rev. E. Kingsbury.
Danville Ky
March 24/55
O. H. Lee.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Raw Mendi March 23/55

Dear Bro Whipple. Yesterday I was sick, (but little wife - for I am better now) & have kept as quiet as I could, today. & keep my business along - but I must write a word - for I am grieved & injured. I have just learned from Bro Tefft, this eve, that he, (as he says) was the cause of the Side Saddle, not being sent, which I ordered a year ago! - I have been waiting, waiting, & wondering what the matter could be, & supposed you could not have rec'd my letter -

I said to Bro Tefft, at once - "It was not kind, to say the least;" & there I leave it, as far as he is concerned - it shall not spoil our good feelings toward each other - I can forgive him, love him, tho he did me a very wrong act - "took too much upon him", in saying I did not need this so, when he had nothing to do with it - I was appointed in charge of the Station, & ought to know what the Station needs -

And if the Brethren of the Committee, have not confidence enough in me, to regard my earnest request, in such a thing as that, in contravention if need be, of the opinions of those at other places - they better call me home. To feel the want of a thing, as we have a saddle - & be riding bare back, for more than a year from such a cause, is too much. When I write thus for a thing to my Station, I want it - & shall write for nothing except it is needed - & I must be allowed, in some things, to be a better Judge what we need than those who have not the charge. Is not this true?

R. Thompson
Mch 19/55
" 23/55
" 24/55

I know very well, that some of the Brethren, have been distant toward me, because I went forward, & got the buggy & horse - but I care not for that - I can live & all such down - I value the life & health of women & myself to be sacrificed by such things. While I was home, to take my life. The horse was left, till he nearly died, & the buggy was left in the Rains, till some of the boards, & seats were rotted, & I had to repair it - all (apparently) from a kind of spite - (God forgive, if I am uncharitable - for so it seems) - but thank God, the horse is yet fat, & fine, & the buggy strong - to a great comfort - especially to all the Ladies, who enjoy their rides very much -

You need not send a saddle now - for I have already ordered, through General Store, one from Devon, at any price - cost what it may. Should my order be again disregarded - it may cause plain words, for which I need not be Margaret - I do feel grieved.

If Bro. Jeff. Lederer had the business to attend to, that I left, for the last year, he might have felt a little the need of a horse - if he had been compelled to ride bare back, the heat as much as I have, he never could have advised as he did. So much for not allowing others to think, as well as himself. May God forgive him - as I do.

We need for Miss Mandi some good English Grammars - the best - perhaps Smith's - & a supply of Testaments, & Bibles. say 100 Testaments, & 25 Bibles. We can't now supply the children. We have not a supply of Sunday Books. I know not what kind to order, for I don't know which is best. Oberlin is not large enough - sufficiently various - If you know of no better, send 100 Wesleyan - that all the Stations may have the same. We have lost many the Temple Melodies, & Songs of Zion, almost to death.

The Young Ladies seem wonderfully pleased with every thing - & the United Brethren also - Much so, I. Your loving Bro. Geo Thompson.

P.S. To Come again home, because you, the know the trifles on, the trip of your Mission, I have been dreadfully alarmed - but I was Monday, by the last Conference (not the Venerable B) I have to be true. I do not wish to be full name - I will see to this - & I do the other - I am very sorry to have to be in anxiety a little longer - but please to forgive the liberty I take - I wish you success in the work of God - & I am yours

Tawa Mendi March 24/55

Dr T G Cole, in charge of
General Store - Please
send to Town, by first
opportunity, & get a good
Side Saddle - 2nd hand if
you can - if not a new one.
We have long needed it much -
more, especially for the Ladies,
Miss Moe would often have
taken her ride, but said she could
not, without a side saddle -
Sisters want it -
We men can ride on it too
by fixing extra stirrups. -
Get one at any price - if
necessary charge to me - I will
bear all responsibility.
I pray you try for us - by
first chance, that we may get
it as soon as possible -
Your Bro Geo Thompson

The horse is a small French Pony
12 hands high

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J. G. Cole Esq
Present

March 24th – At the table this morning – Dr Cumley said he had written to his Comp that we needed here $20. for every $1. we have – & 20 Laborers for every 1 we have –

Susan Worley, in writing to her friends said we needed 50 to 1 – & Bro Tickenor went far beyond either – thus showing their estimation of the importance of the field.

Again, Susan Worley says so far as she has yet seen Tierra Blanca, & the country, my Book is an accurate description – in writing to her friends she referred them to the Book for a description of things –

So far, every one of the new ones, express themselves as very happily disappointed, but with regard to the country people & school children — Anderby? They come with hearts in the work — ready to take hold any, & very where.

While those who found no fault, before, & charged me with misrepresentation were those who did not take hold — but stood & looked on, & found fault, with what they did not try to remedy — Some of them have since become interested, & are now trying to do something

Not well — Now, George

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Perrysville Ind - March 27

Br. Whipple -

I came here this day and have enquired more of Dr. Lu - and learn not much in addition to what I wrote last week. They say he is a good physician, has good health & a strong mind - but rather hasty & strenuous conscientious, disposed to do good, but perhaps not quite so patient and charitable as he should be toward the infirmities of others.

Some causes have operated here to his disadvantages - A Botanic Physician and his wife with a diploma & in actual practice have set the old Physicians against him - still she is very well spoken of and those best acquainted think they will do good as missionaries, and can be relied on in their statements and doings.

They are quite strong and stedfast in what they maintain. A want of fairness and faithfulness in the M. E. Chh. displeased him, and some of the members admit that the Chh was in the wrong -

Yours in the Lord -

E. Kingsbury.

Rev. E. Kingsbury
Perryville Ind.
Mch 27/55

D. J. Lee.

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Good Hope Station. Sherbro Island
March 28, 1856. Wednesday.

Rev. Geo. Whipple. Cor. Sect. A. M. A.
48. Beekman St. N. York.

Dear Sir. by appointment of the Missionaries at their last meeting, a partial copy of their proceedings I have sent before. I am obligated to send for such supplies as are needed in our mission.

You have received hints & instructions from former agents concerning wants. and method of sending. also by some of my own writings. you have suggestions of what would be good here & the method & sending & frequency. If you have advice or instructions to give I should be most happy to receive them that we may act understandingly. I make this same request of the Treasurer through you.

The following orders have been given me for goods & supplies. Br Brooks desires me to ask for the following tools for his carpenter — by way of the Genl Store — viz: 2 Hand Saws 1 Jack plane. 1 Short jointer. 1 Br. Match Plane 1 inch —

Also Grubbing Hoes. 2 doz: These should be about 6 inches wide on the blade. Steel. and much thicker & heavier as they rise to the Eye. & this should be large and strong. I send an order from Br I for a Side Saddle. I enclose his order that you may supply him as you

best can. There is no factory in Freetown or I would by them.

The following articles are or will soon be wanted, Fools Cap paper 3 Ream: Palm Hats. 6 doz: Fainid Hats. Straw fine. 2 doz; Bantee Clocks 1 doz; Striking Clocks for Stations 2: Pale Soap 1 to 2 doz: Copying Ink 2 bot.; Brass-Handled Butcher Knives, 8 inch. 12 doz: Blued Tacks. good heads. No 6 ½ doz. No 8 1 doz. No 10 ½ doz: Papers — Not mistake for brads — Spool thread 2 gross asst. Mostly coarse — Skein thread. White 3: Blue 4: 3 assorted. ~~Hoop~~: 1 bbl Linseed oil. 4 Kegs paint. white: ¼ gross Lamp Black: Small paper Sad Irons. 100 lbs.; Strap Hinges. ¼ gross: 4 inch Butts. ¼ gross: 3 inch do. ¼ gross: Screws, 3 gross ½ inch. 3 do. ¾ do. 3 do 1 do. 3 do 1¼ do — Also a Book for entering bills of Gen. Store. — 4 doz Carolina Hoes —

The thread must be stronger than that sent last, or it will be good for nothing. This is so very rotten the people do not like to buy. — It produces bad effects to be disappointed in quality of articles, as they expect good ones from us — I add 4. ¼ casks Pork, 3. ¼ No 1 Mackerel.

Do not fail to send the Flour, beef, Pork, butter, for if we can spare, the traders will take the surplus gladly, as they importune us daily, but we are obliged to refuse unless we give to compassionate the sick — Please tell us if we may consider us grocers for this region, as no one else brings, but us, and all have to go to town at great Expense for all such things, If you allow, please send so we can accommodate all, as well as one or two. We give no credit, and will not sell such things without good profit — We do not, nor are we willing to stand as traders here, but

accommodating with such things is taken as a favor-

I am requested to add to the above. 2 sitting bath tubs.

If you send goods in puncheons, casks, or Hogsheads they may be used or sold profitably, if not too old- good boxes can be broken and worked up. Poor ones are poor property-

Br Burton ask for 2 lbs good Pitch for Mission use, on canoe-

We have a forge but no tools to work with, did we have the tools we could have our blacksmithing done at home, and save expense & trouble & have it done more to satisfaction. Hammers, tongs, cold chisels, dies- punches- rivet & heading tools,- or in a word, such few tools as a common shop wants-

Send 4 doz No 8. Chest lock- 4 doz No 7. do-

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Mendi Mission No Tappan Station
29th March 1855

Rev Geo Whipple Cor. Sec.y
A. M. A. 48 Beekman St N.Y.

My Dear Brother in Christ

On the 15th & 16th inst I wrote a letter to you and brother Tappan jointly, In it I informed you that by the advise of brothers Brooks and Thompson I had kept back, in our "General Meeting," your letter requesting me to assume the Office of Treasurer of the Mendi Mission on my arrival here, I informed you that I found such a state of things in the Mission among my associates, that I was convinced that the peace, harmony and greatest good of the Mission would be promoted by my going to labor with brother Brooks, and permit Dr Cole to be appointed to "Good Hope General Store," as I think he has always wished, Under these circumstances I felt confident that you would have me step aside & acted accordingly, I asked you to tell me in your answer to my letter, how you regarded my action, In my letter of 16th I informed you that bro. J. L. Brooks was that A. M. set apart to the sacred office of a Minister of the Gospel of Christ, The Council was constituted by choosing bro Jeffs Clark & bro Dr Flickinger Sec. Prof. Jeffs read the scriptures

bro D. R. Flickinger led in prayer, bro Wm J. Shuey gave the charge to the candidate, bro Geo Thompson made the ordaining prayer, and bro D. C. Rumlin gave the right hand of fellowship. After the Ordination services it was my privilege to unite in the bonds of holy wedlock bro V Brooks and sister Susan Teall.

As you may judge from the place of dating this Epistle, myself and wife have been appointed to labor at Mo Tappan and vicinity in connection with brother and sister Brooks and sister Susan Worley. This as you may judge is just as wife and I would have had it if we could have arranged the matter ourselves. Sister Worley is truly a lovely girl & I think really wishes to do good. And as to Mrs Brooks I think her among to speak no stronger, the most amiable lovely christian females I have ever known. And as for bro John S. — you know what a companionable, good natured man he is. He bro Brooks & I came overland by way of Ukla, to negotiate for that place for bro Burton, I cannot enter into particulars. But I may say that as far as we could see the way seemed more open than two weeks since. Thus Kisicumah seemed operating against us. But now the other chiefs and kings seem determined to give it whether he wills or not. Bros Shuey & Flickinger accompanied bro Brooks & I and were much pleased with the Djong River and the scenery at and around Ukla on both sides of the Falls.

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We arrived here yesterday. I stood my walk better than I had expected, from my health since we landed, in Sherbro. I hope that the change may prove a permanent benefit to me. The location here, which Br Brooks, has made, is very inviting, and I see no reason why it should not be as healthy as any on the West-ern Coast of Africa. The house is located on a rise of ground about ½ a mile below the Falls of the Boom. Here is a large and important field, calling for moral culture, & think I do wish for an imbuing of the Holy Spirit which shall fit me for my responsibilities.

Will you do me the kindness to purchase me a Gold pen. Pretty limber. and about Medium size. Please send me a holder, like some of those you use in the Office, which it will fit. The Bottle of Copying Ink which I brought out for my own use was broken in its passage. Please send me a bottle like that which you were using in the Office. If Dr Cole does not write for Copying Ink when you send mine please say to him that it is for me. I came away & forgot to arrange with you and Br Sappan about the $100. (one hundred & ten) which was sent to the Office for me nearly one year before my return home by Hezakiah Hills father of A B Hills & Mrs L G B Hills the former of Perkin N.Y & the latter of Oberlin O— They both wrote to me at the time that it was a personal present to me

as the espoused husband of Miss Clarissa Hills, daughter of A Hills & sister of the husband of Mrs L.G.B. Hills. Miss Hills died in 1847. I saw Mr & Mrs Hills during my visits in America & they repeated what they had written to me about the money sent. I wrote about the money before going home & talked with you, I think while at home. All that I ask in the matter is an obligation from the Secr. of the Treas. of A.M.A for the money, conditioned upon myself or wife being so disabled as to be obliged to take up our residence in the States. Otherwise it to belong to A.M.A. This I think not unreasonable, in as much as this money was not sent so much on account of my being a missionary, although both the donors are warm friends of the Association, as my former relations to the family. I shall write to Mr Lapham about it & I hope that you may take action on it.

Pray for us that we may be filled with all of God's fullness! For surely without it we shall not be fitted to perform the work devolving upon us. Tell brs Jocelin that I will try to send him a letter by the next vessel. Love to bro Beldan & your family &c &c In Christian Affection,

Your Missionary

Huston Leffler

J. C. Leffler (Mock 29/58)

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Perrysville, Vermillion County, Ia. March 29th 1855.

Rev. Geo. Whipple

Your letter asking information & my "testimony" respecting Doctor Lee & wife, reached this Post Office while I was gone from home.— Having just returned I with pleasure & yet with a solemn sense of my responsibility to God, (after prayerfully seeking his guidance,) answer to your enquiries. It was last June that my acquaintance with them commenced; but did not become very familiar till October last, when abandoning the ministrations of the Methodist minister, they of their own accord placed themselves under my own pastoral supervision.

I regard them both as possessing natural brightness of mind decidedly above par — exhibited mostly in natural quickness, susceptibility of memory, and a happy affable mode of address — They are decidedly virtuous — their faults inclining to virtue's side. Their bodily constitutions strong & robust, & of the sanguine temperament.

In answer to your first specification of "general christian character" I would answer — they have given me pleasing evidence of sincere love to Christ & his cause characterized, as you would expect from their methodist training, by a forward open Peter like zeal — needing to be balanced more by a strong faith & deep humility

2nd Their "Christian engagedness & activity" has been mostly exhibited in the Anti-Slavery & Temperance Reforms in which they have ever taken the van in this Village with an ardor & single heartedness reckless of consequences; by which they have hurt their influence in this community by not mixing a sufficiency of the swoniter in modo, with the fortiter in re. They also reproved the inconsistencies & sins of men of high standing in the Methodist Church, with a fidelity which has been

their professional injury. In this I regard them as actuated by right motives, and as discharging a duty to the Great Head of the Church; though it has deprived them of a portion of the popularity which otherwise their merits would have secured. Their activity was manifested also in successful efforts in the Bible-class & Sabbath-school - first among the Methodists, & afterwards during the past winter in our own Church - 4th A consciousness of unpopularity from the above-mentioned cause is the only thing which has prevented their activity from being more directly exerted for the salvation of souls. They have shown a very happy faculty of interesting children & young people in the subject of religion

5th Q. Yes; so far as could be rationally expected in circumstances above mentioned. -

6th Q. - In respect to reception & understanding of the distinguishing doctrines of grace I regard them as making commendable progress Mrs Lee being in this respect decidedly in advance of her husband. Both perhaps yet err in holding to a sinless perfection in this life which I think the scriptures no where warrant. They both need a stronger child like faith in the simple word of God - less confidence in their own opinions as to what a revelation from God should teach.

7th They are not at all deficient in common sense - nor does their judgement materially err; except in certain emergencies discerning how "a soft answer turneth away wrath". In this they are conscientious & I think improving from experience.

8th They were in hot water in the Methodist Church; - but as I conceive from a very venial, if from any

fault of their own; and amidst open and glaring faults of those with whom they were there obliged to act. Though I have been very frank in acquainting them with all faults I could discern in them; have worked in perfect harmony with them for the past six months - Now do I see any reason to forbid any missionaries acquainted with their peculiar mental characteristics, & possessed of common charitableness, from permanently working in harmony with them

, the 2. I think that their daily life is such as will exemplify to the heathen world what christianity is," notwithstanding that peculiar circumstances have prevented their spiritual light from being properly appreciated by this community; because I regard them as being victims of an unjust prejudice here; which I hope & trust will not be thus awakened among the heathen to whom they are sent.

They have both graduated at the Medical College in Cincinnati where their system of practice (medico-physical) is taught. They administer herb Medicines mostly so as to assist nature in her process of healing - Have had commendable success in curing difficult cases of disease. Mrs Lee besides being herself a skilful Physician might teach a heathen school. Though I should feel safer in seeing them sent with an older experience Minister of the Gospel who could aid the Drs in acquiring the Theological knowledge needed to qualify him to preach to the heathen; - If the right helper cannot be found he might commence learning the language & be instrumental

of much good through prayer & exhortation, if only one of the right stamp could be sent. I should by all means recommend an ordained minister to be associated with him for the first two years at least; if the right man can be found. —

Respectfully Yours

Wm L. Buffett
Stating Pastor of the New-School Presbyterian Church in Perryville —

P.S. As a physician & a teacher I can cordially recommend him to be sent forth to the gosper field in the heathen world. The Dr has just handed me a line to you, which I enclose in the same envelope with this

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Wm. M. L. Buffett
Perryville Md
Mch 29/55
Dr L. Lee.

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Perryville Ind. March 29th 1855

Rev. George Whipple
Cor. Sec. A. M. A.

Dear Sir — As Rev. Mr. Buffett has returned, and is herewith replying to your letter of inquiry to him, I avail myself of the opportunity, to say that I have received the "pamphlet and papers", for which accept my thanks; I have read the pamphlet, and fully endorse the principles therein set forth. I am pleased with the evangelical spirit that is manifest in the organsation of Your Association, and can freely comply with its requirements.

In reference to the application from the Marquesas Islands; do not let that call go unanswered. Providence is evidently enlarging the borders of the Association and we should come up to His help. I have learned that the Gentleman spoken of in your letter, visited England for the same purpose, and also applied to other organizations in our country, but has not succeeded. If your Committee deem us the proper "Family", send us; we cannot refuse so loud a call, and are willing to go immediately. We can be ready to sail in a short time if necessary; nevertheless we abide your decission. They may need an ordained minister, I could not perhaps fill that post immediately, but would do the best I could under the circumstances.

Yours Truely
David J. Lee

Daniel S. Lee
Hempstead Inst.
March 29/53

Rev. George Whipple
Cor. Sec. A.M.A.
No. 48 Beekman
New York

N. Y.

✓ J. Cutler Tefft
Africa
March 29/55
Rec'd July 16
Ans Aug. 12

M Belden Mean
Lodents re matter
mentioned within &
inform me how the
money was credited &
L.T.

$100. Rec'd from H. Hills Peking N.Y. Sept /52
see Amer. Mis'y for Nov /52

I do not find the $10.

There is a credit on the Journal
in favour of J.C. Tefft $93.06 but
this is probably another matter

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A.M.M.A. ARCHIVES
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Mendi Mission Boom Falls Station
Mo Taspan 29th March 1883

Lewis Taspan Esqr Treas.
A. M. A. 48 Bukman St N.Y.

Dear Brother

On the 15th & 16th insts I wrote you and brother Whipple a joint letter.

In it informed you that owing to the state of things I found among my brethren and sisters on my arrival in Africa, by the advise and request of brothers Brooks and Thompson, I did not show your joint letter, requesting me to act as treasurer of the Mission, at our General Meeting. I permitted myself & wife to be thrown into common stock & appointed to this station, to be associated with brother and sister Brooks and sister Woolsey. I felt after hearing these brethren that peace & harmony would be promoted by it & acted accordingly. I asked you to inform me in your answer whether you thought that I did right. I also informed you that Dr. Cole had been appointed the Financial Sec. to reside at Good Hope & as such that the business matters of M. M. would be conducted by you with him. I have by word of mouth & also by letter informed him, as far as possible, how you desire the business of the Mission Conducted. And also that you wished duplicate bills

of the things purchased in Freetown or otherwise also a duplicate of Mr Eggidio's account Currents.
In a word I have tried my best, to make such suggestions to the Dr. as, if followed, will give you the information which you desire. I have written to Bro Thipple about a little matter which I forgot to arrange before I left for Africa. I refer to $110. which I spoke to you about soon after my arrival in America. It was sent to you nearly a year before I went home. by Hezakiah Hills ($100) and Mrs L. G. B. Hills $10. Mr Hills residence is at Pekin Niagara Co N.Y. & Mrs Hills at Oberlin Ohio. They sent me the money on account of my espousal to Miss Clarissa Hills, who died in 1847. I wrote to you about the money before I went home. I then said to you that I did not want the money while in Africa but would like it secured to me so that if my health or that of my wife should fail so that we could not remain abroad, we could have something to depend upon without being obliged to ask the Association to give to us. If we should die in Africa I should like the obligation so drawn that the money should be the Association's. I cannot write a long letter for want of time. It is after 9 o'c P.M.

My health has not been good since my arrival in Africa. But I hope that I shall be benefited by coming up here. Mrs Tiffs was quite well when I left her last Monday. All the Mission band seem laboring as quite

espoused

cheerfully & contentedly at this time.

Bro Brooks has a beautiful place here. The field is a large one and needs much very much moral culture. O for the fullness of our God to fit us to accomplish all of the Lord's will towards Africa. Good by! The Lord reward you and Sister Sappan for your marked kindness to my dear wife & self at sundry times! Remember us affectionately to her & your family. Your brother & missionary

J. Leslie Tefft

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I Leave Mendi. March 31/85

Dear Bro Whipple, I can write but a word - The accompanying Leopard skin, must be deferred for more time & strength

Suffice it to say, I killed a Leopard, this week, under our piazza, having first caught it in one of my Leopard traps - & then, in the dark, drain I shot 4 times, before I killed it. Particulars hereafter -

But let me here say, I want you to send us, as soon as possible - by first opportunity - one dozen more Leopard, or Bear traps - a Wolf trap is hardly sufficient. A Leopard is of amazing strength - his legs are very large - The Jaws, when shut, should be 6, 8, or 10 in length - not less than 6 inches - or they would not let the foot through good. A part of those sent before, would only catch them by the toes so that I lost one or two, just for want of length in jaws. I want them of spring that will take 2 men to set one -

I have kept one now left, that is set every night, except Saturday & Sunday, for Leopards - how long it will last, I cant tell. One broke last night.

Do hasten them as soon as possible. They are the thing to catch these destructive animals when they begin their inroads -. I want them also for thieves - tho I have never caught a thief in one - I think it would be necessary only to catch one man, & all the country would be afraid of the White man's "medicine"

I have been considerably unwell for 1 or 2 weeks - but crawl about, to attend to my business, most of the time.

Do try hard for more male Laborers, sent shall early, or we shall, I fear, be worse off than ever - You cant be too earnest in calling for Volunteers of the right stamp -

I - herewith forward a Certificate signed by all the Missionaries at this Station, except myself. They all seemed not only willing, but glad to sign their names to such a document. Some of them feel deeply incensed at some things which have been said & written, Now can let Br. L Tapper, & the committee see it. Do with it as you think best —

I have, from the first felt a clear conscience in this matter - I have felt grieved to see any turn aside from the work, to finding fault with others. — If ever you hear any more complaints of exaggeration just tell them of this paper —

I have just been consulting with Miss Mae about what Books we need here - ~~B~~ And let all Books ordered from Rau Mundi, be directed - Rau Mundi.

Sendes) 4 doz easy Primers of some kind, for beginners,
2 doz ABC cards — " — "
2 doz good Reading Books, for our 1st classes.

I know not what kind to order - You can select - but get some kind that will try them some - for they have read every thing we have —

Of the "North American Arithmetic", of Emerson,
Sendes 2 doz 1st Part —
2 " 2nd "
2 " 3d "

And 2 doz good Grammars - perhaps Smith's —

And now Br, may the Lord direct you, in every thing to His glory — Don't forget the Laborer - Labors —

Again I would say, Get Br Wm B Nitt MD, Cincinnatti if you can. Br Flickinger thinks he would do well here

Much love Yours Geo Thompson —

Dear Mother says, He must have a few little Brethren needed here - So send Lizzie Batt & Lucie Batt, by first chance direct to Rau Mundi. Every Missionary

Mt Zion Route 30th March 1865

Rev. Geo. Whipple Cor. Sec.
of A.M.A. New York.

A.M.A. ARCHIVES
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My dear Brother.

I am grieved and disappointed by the unexpected departure of Bro. Flickinger to America. But a few weeks since he was at Good Hope and said he should open a station in the colony, why he should go so suddenly and hear nothing of ill health I cannot understand. When he was last with us I proposed to secure Mr Shwai still for him if he chose but he declined, thinking it would be better to work in Freetown.

I the more regret his hasty return to America from the fact that he is labouring under wrong impressions in regard to some of our conduct relative to his connection with us, which I will take the liberty here to explain. When Bro. Flickinger & I were in Freetown together we had each others confidence to a great degree, our friendship was marked with freedom and brotherly affection. I used my influence with him to get him to go with me to the Bonny and open a station at Mt Shwai. We came to Good Hope and found Bro. Burton ill and needing a change. It was necessary for me to take charge of his work during his absence, so that we did not go directly to the Bonny. Immediately after Bro Burtons return to G.H. some circumstance occurred preventing our departure for a week. Just as we were packing, to be off the next day Dr. Lees company came, and being appointed to Kaw Mendi and no hope of further company this season I & Bro Burton would be alone and Bro Flickinger without an associate. I went to Bro. F. and told

him without any equivocation that our plans must be broken up, that Bro. Burton should be helped, that we were not able to carry on our own work and therefore could not help him, that he could not open himself either at Mobawi or anywhere else without help his health was so poor, and in view of all these circumstances I thought he ought to stay at Good Hope and render Bro. Burton such help as he could and I would go up Boom and do what I could. This he refused to do on the ground that his people expected that he was already at a station of their own, he felt he must try and if he failed he could then meet their disappointment with a clear conscience, I next proposed his going to Mr Jappan & take charge of that station scarcely to go on to transfer it to his care, this I supposed he agreed to for he frequently remarked that he only wanted a hobby ride till the Dry Season should pass so that his Society would not blame him. In this last matter we were all agreed and were willing to bind our Society to open Mobawi for him in case either our Conf. or his Should disapprove. He was dissatisfied with these conditions and wanted the transfer to be final on our part leaving our Conf. to disapprove our transfer if they chose.

Before we knew of his view of this matter the unanimous vote of the mission was that I serve the K. Ma. station and efforts to claim Wila for a station to remove Kaw hands. This done I was not at liberty to go up Boom. Br. Flickinger however went and concluded not to go up the Boom at all but determined to open at Shingé or the Bargroo. He tried one or twice for the former but did not succeed. Bro Burton offered then (as I understand) to open at Bargroo for him if

he would take his charge at Good Hope. This was made in consideration of Bro. Flickinger's health. Bro Flickinger again concluded to go up Boom and to do what he could I offered to give him the use of Mo Tappan and aid him what I could in securing the Mo Gwari locality. Accordingly we set off together, had a pleasant passage. At Mo Colony we had some difficulty in getting the chiefs together two or three days past but no people. Bro. F. grew impatient and wanted to go and see the place, which of the way there was some dispute about. One of Lickers family, though a stranger had it in possession and refused to give it up. I differed in opinion with Bro. F. in the propriety of going to Mo Gwari till the matter should be settled between Weave the disaffected stranger and the chiefs. Then Bro F. wished me to tell the chiefs that, in case they did not meet on the next day we could give no promise of again asking for the place. Here again I differed, saying that this would be producing a false impression, we were expecting to get the place and thought Bro. F. should not have patience to wait the motion of the Chiefs we should, therefore I could not intentionally deceive them. Bro. F again & again insisted on giving them such an expression of dissatisfaction as would make them regard this the last time we should call on them for Mo Gwari, but I could not consent. But told him that any time he was disposed to withdraw he could but I should not give up Mo Gwari, that I was not sure but it would be a better place for us to move Kaw Mendi, after seeing his uneasiness I told him I was thinking serious of proposing to take the whole affair off his hands and urge the removal of Kaw Mendi on the Boom as we could then keep up Mo Tappan

This ended our efforts for the time. Bro. T. was disappointed & felt bad. As we left McColony I told the chief that we should return if well as soon as we could, that we had been burning below in securing Wela and knew not how long it would take, so could not say the day when they should see us, that we could not say we should be back in five days or eight, or ten, or twelve days but they must be ready to accept our Konani, this Bro. T. I am sorry to say understood to be a definite promise that we would be back in twelve days, but such was not my intention, but to give myself the utmost limit while I gave them the certain promise of a return. As has much I found things in such a condition that I supposed it would take at least two weeks to get through with the Wela matter. Then Bro Burton wished me to aid him in getting up his addition to his house which would take at least one if not two weeks so I told Bro Pickering that I could not get away for the Boom probably under a month. Here he was again disappointed and felt that I had broken my pledge. With the Wela matter we were relieved by a refusal of the place, Bro. Burton having better health had so far got along that he gave up his claim on me and I was ready for the Boom much sooner than expected. but Bro. T. was sick and bent on town, if not America. He made arrangements to remove his things from the Boom, making no calculations on opening a station there.

Our pledge was given to Konani, and I returned to do as we had agreed and have secured the place. When Br. T. was last at the Mission I still gave him the privilege of taking Mr Gwavi there or after I should secure it and help him all I could.

I regret to say that Bro. T. was so disappointed, that he has been alienated from this portion of our piles. I had hoped that he would be a neighbor, I loved him as a fellow missionary, and desired to do all I could for him, and have done so, even to my own inconvenience, and am glad I have had the privilege.

Unworthy yours

J. Thos. Brooks

Rev. J. T. Brooks. Dec. 30/85

Kaw Mendi Mission

Dr. to British Factory Ok. Siddle
in Charge of A Nathan

1855				
Jany 1	To Balance of a/c due British Factory			5 18 1½
" 13	" 1 Camp Kettle		" 2 6	
	" 1 Bottle Tart		" 1 3	
	" 2 Spr. ptn. Knife		" 2 6	
	" 2 lb. Beads		" 2 6	
	" 6 strings Blue Beads		" 1 3	" 10 "
Feb 1	" 3 dozen W Plate	3/3	" 9 9	
	" 3 Coder Basin 1st size	2/	" 6 "	
	" 6 do do 2nd do	1/6	" 9 "	
	" 6 do do 3rd do	1/3	" 7 6	
	" 12 do do 4th do	10	" 10 "	
	" 12 do do 5th do	8	" 8 "	
	" 2½ dozen ½ pt Mug	2/9	" 6 10½	
	" 1½ do 1 quart W Jug	3/6	" 5 3	
	" 8 do Cutlasses	1/6	2 12 "	
	" 3 pcs. Taffety	7/	1 1 "	
	" 3 " Kendall	3/6	" 10 6	7 5 10½
March 14	" 1 dozen Spr. ptn. Knives 9 in.	8/	" 8 "	" 8 "
			£	14 2 "

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To Amount Carried Over £ 14 2 "

1855	To Amount brought Over			£ 14. 2.	
1855	Contra Cr.				
Feb. 9	By 250 fat Plank	1	17	6	
	" 234 do do	1	15	1	
24	" 157 do do	1	4	4½	
Mar 26	" 1 Grind Stone	"	16	"	
	" 2 Axe & Helve	"	14	"	
28	" 6 Yds White Cloth	"	5	"	
31	" 1 Pair Red Boot	"	7	6	
	" 1 Chest Lock	"	1	"	7 2 5½
	Balance due Bertha Factory up to the 1st April 1855			£ 6	19 6½

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Bertha Factory
March 31st 1855

N. Nathan
Factor for Lin Hedalla

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Rooms of the American Missionary Association.
48 Beekman-Street,

New-York March 6 1855

Prof A. Curtis M. D.
Cincinnati
Sir

Doctor David J. Lee and wife who have applied for appointment as missionaries under our Association, refer me to you for information concerning some of their qualifications for such a work.

Will you be so kind as to furnish me with such information as may be convenient for you, on the following topics.

1. Their standing as students while in their course of medical studies. very good.

2. Their ability to practice medicine successfully. Also very good. Superior.

3. Their address,—whether such as to attract persons towards them, or repel them. (3)

4. Whether their temper and deportment are genial and courteous, so as to make it comfortable for others to work with them. (4)

5. Whether their daily walk has been such as becometh persons professing godliness. (5) Except the above I know nothing to the contrary.

In short whether their medical skill is such as to make you willing to entrust

the care of valuable lives to them; (6.) and their judgment (good) common sense (good) activity (7) and courteousness (8) such as to make them desirable associates in any good work. (9)

I shall deem it a favor if you will favor me with a somewhat full reply to these inquiries, and at as early a day as may be convenient to you. (10)

Very respectfully
Yours &c
Geo. Whipple
Cor. Sec. Am. M. Ass.

3. In this they are not so fortunate. They are talented, pretty well educated on most subjects, have been bred in good society, and accustomed to good company. They can make themselves as agreeable as they please, or any one can desire. But they had not, when they left us two years ago, quite enough of Paul's desire to become all things [justifiable] to all men" to enable them to please all men, though they will be pretty sure to "gain some." They make "warm friends and warm enemies."

4. If they like the others they will do anything for them. If not, they would not be so agreeable. Their organs of self esteem are large, and their ambition to go ahead and be prominent in whatever they undertake is equally

large. Still they are reasonable, and any one who understands human nature and is not himself too irritable, can work very well with them. They both live with me, he and you & she two. I was able to get along very well with them. They are very irritable, and keenly sensitive to praise or censure. - & rather too much inclined to exhibit their pleasure or displeasure: but I think that some experience with the world will correct these faults.

6. I should most confidently commit the lives of patients, and even of myself to their medical care. They are both very able practitioners.

7. There can be no objection to them on the score of activity. They are very active and energetic, and will make a mark wherever they go.

8. See note to no 4 & 5.

9. We like them as associates, without regret their leaving the country; but that we feel much interest in sending uproom practitioners among the heathen. We are confident that many a good missionary has gone to the spirit land, for no other reason but the want of just such physicians as they are.

10. I have answered you freely and candidly, & request you to preserve my reply for your own benefit solely, & neither to give it to them nor inform them of its contents.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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You will excuse my writing on your letter because I can do it so much quicker than to write it all out — and my time is much engaged — help them that are talking to me at this moment.

Very truly, A. Curtis M.D.

Prof. A. Curtis M.D.
March 4. 1855.

Dr Lee,

Dr G. attended the meeting of
Mrs Boynton.

Dr Cole, Africa - June 30/53.
Expenditures of the Mission

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Lewis Tappan Esq. Treasurer of the American Missionary Association. No. 48. Beekman Street New York. U.S.A.

Dear Sir.- Please find below the report of the expenditures of Mendi Mission. as drawn from the General Store. and reported from the stations. for quarter. ending 1st to June 30th 1835-

Drawn from the General Store by the several Stations as follows.

	£	St	d	£	St	d	Bal £	St	d	
by Boom Falls Station	158	15	2¼	x0-	16	0	x157	19	2¼	x
" Good. Hope "	137	19	8	+26	8	2	x111	11	6	x
" Kaw Mendi "	135	6	5	+20	5	5	x115	1	0	x
To Purchase land & Works							3	1	3	x
Expenses of General Store							12	13	6	x
Total for quarter to June 30th							£400	6	5¼	x
							$1921.34¼			
Stock on hand in G. Store							£284	12	3	x
							$1366.14			

Building at Boom Falls and at Good Hope has greatly increased their bills. as their Mechanics have drawn during this quarter for labors of Mr. Cowper time. and are with few exceptions paid off. So that expenses for the coming quarter will not be so large. also the building has ceased to go on for the present because of the rains. Probably during the coming dry season. the expenses will be increased again from the renewal of repairs. and building.

Add to the above. one Cotton Gin. one Mill. one Forge-

Supplies ordered in Freetown but not yet received here are not included. Nor the amount of money in the hand of agents Mr. John Ezzidio- a statement of which was sent you sometime since.

The above is exclusive of Goods &c at Kaw Mendi Station. belonging to Mr. Mission. but charged to the Station. the use which reduces the amount of Moneys drawn from Gen. Store- This value has been never reported to the Gen. Store. as a consequence never reported to the A. M. A.

N.B. The value of Stock on hand is computed at 25 pr ct on New York cost for goods from N.Y. and 5 pr ct on supplies obtained at Sierra Leone.

Over the page you will please find the reports from the stations. of their expenditures for the last quarter ending June 30th 1835- also report for Boom Falls Station for quarter ending March 31st. 1835- and a report for Kaw Mendi Station for the last four quarters. which is directed to the treasurer of the A. M. A. and which I send as received- there are some few items not reported in it which will increase it about £10- 10-

for Sept 1st to June 30th

Report of Boom Falls Station, and of Good Hope Station for June 30th

Boom Falls Sta.	Sept 1st £	s	d		June 30th £	s	d
Mo Lappan School	9	5	0	×	5	1	0
Molbongo "	1	16	0	×	1	3	0
Molbwani "	7	17	5	×	2	10	6
Buildings	97	11	7½	×	97	10	7
Farm	1	12	4	×	8	11	2
Family	7	10	7	×	21	9	6½
Transportation	7	16	7½	×	10	13	3
Mo Lapan	4	12	9½	×	2	19	11
J. S. Brooks	1	15	5½	×	3	18	10
J. C. Jeffs	~~Total £139 17 10~~				2	12	1½
Total	£139	17	10		£156	10	11

£296 8 9 = $1422.90

— Remarks —

The Schools appear to be doing well. at Molappan & Kaw Mendi's they have exchanged teachers to begin the new quarter — The school at Molbwani has had to be stopped for a month or two, the teacher being obliged to go to Fortown, & myself called to labor elsewhere — the people are desirous to have it continued, wishing their children to learn English and books —

I regret very much the necessity of leaving this place, for by this time I might have been able to talk the Shutbo language quite well but cannot get time to pay attention or assistance to learn the words and meaning, all being done by an interpreter who must understand English well — or by living in their midst and thus become familiar by actual intercourse with the sound and word, and thus reduce by accustomed use —

Good Hope Station	June 30th £	s	d	
Family Expenses	62	19	6	×
Laborers hire	23	7	10	×
Food	7	16	0	×
Wages of Mechanics	12	1	11	×
Building Materials & Tools	5	8	10	×
Curiosities		4	0	×
Mission Presents		16	6	×
	£112	14	7	
	$545.10			
Amt of Stock on hand including 200 bushels in Stock at Wozla	60	2	3	
	4	3	0	
	£64	5	3	
Exp. Bal.	£48	9	4	×
	$232.64			

At Good Hope Station the school is under the entire charge of Miss. M. B. Aldrich. The children are mostly young not exceeding 9 years of age. are included in the family, in all its peculiarities. as in any family in America — thus bringing them to a knowledge of domestic & social relations. attachments, and duties — a thing that is entirely wanting in this barbarous country — This accounts for the large family expenses — it covering all the expenses of school clothing, Books &c — for children. Missionaries &c

Br Brooks & wife have spent a good part of their time here during the last quarter during her acclimation, and his ill health & sometimes they now are at Mo Lappan —

N.B. Items under the head "Curiosities" for G. Hope station. "J.S.B." — "J.C.J." for B. Falls Station & G. Hope Sta. Kaw Mendi Station, are for the same kind of expenditure —

☞ No report of stock on hand from Boom Falls or Kaw Mendi Stations —

Br Brooks now occupies his new house, tho not completed. a new house for boys in school has been built at Kaw Mendi during last 2 quarters — 1 house at Good Hope — I can make no annual report, the material for them is in your hands —

{The above is submitted by your obt. Servt. J. C. Cole}

H. A. ARCHIVES
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Thos Stephen
ABM 1855
Rec'd Aug 16
Rec'd July 23

Tour Mendi April 4/57

Dear Br. L. Tappan. Your note of Oct 22/54 first came this morning!! Where has it been? Your remarks about naming Mt Tappan are rec'd & many thanks given for your box of Apparatus, for that School.

You mourn over Kaima. I will say. He is a very bad man, & I am told he has been building a Town, letting farms to Natives, & will probably move away from here soon. & I shall be glad, for his influence is very bad. He will have his member of Nives, & I have a Law against it here, & he cannot bear the restraints of the Gospel.

I expect also to have to excommunicate his Wife - for which, I suppose Lewis, is to be considered the cause. Poor man!. Mr B Tucker, wrote him an excellent letter.

Tabanna, is yet my Leadman, & is very steady. He takes much care off my shoulders.

Glad to hear of the success of the United Brethren in selling my Book. May the interest for Africa, increase. I was informed, when home last, by a United Brother, that I could feel that it was thro' my lectures, & Book, that that denomination have awaked to plant a Mission in Africa. May they be much blessed. & God be glorified.

Ask Whipple to show you a Certificate, & the Com signed by 5 of the Missionaries here (all at R.M.) respecting the "exaggerated reports" of mine.

Again I say, Circulate the Book. It will help you much, in getting Missionaries, & funds.

I remain my dear Wife, Your, wide awake & faithful Husband
in my absence, to Rev. Wm Wilson
the dear boy. May God bless them.

The $8.9.00 postage, on our letters! "Charity thinketh no evil!"
Dear Br Tappan, how could you, for a moment, impute any blame to me, or any of the Missionaries, about that matter? Have you not yet learned our circumstances? And that many such blunders are wholly without our knowledge, for the want of a man, in Directors, who is interested in the interest, welfare of the Mission.

But you must see that no blame can be attached to us at Raw Mendi — for we send our letters to the General Office at Good Hope. We send no letters to Town, all go from Good Hope — Yall our letters are sent from Home to Town —

Whether Br Burton ordered that bundle sent by England, provided there was no Vessel for America, I cant say — or whether Ezzidea took the responsibility himself. It is possible, Burton he directed them sent — for I know that sometimes, when he has got letters from his Wife of old date, he has been vexed with the Committee, because they did not forward his letters, sooner, by England. — But I know not who it was — glad you got the letters.

When here first time, I sent a large bundle, by England, when Mrs Brooks died — I felt justified under the circumstances. Since then, occasionally, when I write something very important to the Com — I have added a single letter sent by England — for this I am not responsible —

But pray do not make a palaver with us about a few dollars, spent in that way — Be glad to hear from us —

For 2 weeks, I have been quite unwell, but keep about. Feel the effects of my last year's work — Last week I pitched a Tent, under the piazza — See Letters to S. S. Potts, No 64. —

Much love to your Wife, all friends. Yours Geo Thompson

Mrs Worley, Newton, & Mr Hitchcock are very much delighted — happy & opposed. They also seem favorably impressed with the Country & people. Mr Hemle, wife not stay long enough to form any good idea.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Kaw Mendi April 5/84

To the Committee of American Missionary Association

Beloved Brethren, I feel it my duty to bring before your minds a subject of vital importance, as concerns the welfare of this Mission — viz. the need of more Laborers — male Laborers, unless you would have us make a retrograde mark — for unless we are reinforced, before long, by those who come to stay, & take hold, while life, or health shall permit, we cannot hold the ground we have — much less make advances, as all the Providences of God urge us to do.

But did we not lately send out a large company? Yes, & we thank you — & thank God for them. But sent place too much dependence on this Company. Had they all come to join our Mission heartily, then we should have been strengthened. But, as it is, we have but one male addition, on whom we can depend. And how soon Burton will have to go home, we cant say, as his health is very poor — has lately had his most severe sickness, & is yet quite feeble. And what day I shall feel it my duty to go home, in case my wife cannot come home, I cannot say.

Now consider a moment — Suppose, Burton & I should leave, where would the Mission be? How could our present operations be sustained? I see not. ~~that~~ that there would of necessity be giving up some part of the operations.

The female help you sent, is very valuable — but we could use just more of the same, today — Yes, we need them — but our greatest need, is good substantial male Laborers —

I write under a separate cover, a report of my out stations, on the Thos. Riv., & Mangos from Friends letters in the Berlin Evangelist — leave, I have written a work for the Mission — the O.E. also published a letter. You can copy what you please with the Mission. These are some things of interest.

Write to Family Longfriedge, Mansfield, Ohio — & a Chinese Gul. Graduate of Oberlin 1879

The 3 "United Brethren", we all love dearly, & would love to labor with them - There appears nothing to prevent, so far as their & our doctrines & practices, are concerned. They are deeply interested in our operations, in Africa in general - but (1) Br Kunler has been sick already - & being some afraid of the climate - (he being entirely too old to come here), he will probably go home, on the same vessel, that brought him. (2) Br Shuey, & Flickinger, are ready to take hold, & do any thing they can. They enter heartily into all our work - so long as they are with us - but they are anxious to select a location for a Station of their own, to be sustained entirely by their denomination. To this I have no objection - Yea I have advised them, that if they cannot mingle with us, as one - i.e. - if the Body, at home, will not merge their Mish. operations here, into the A.M.A. - then as the next best step, I advised - & Br Shuey & Flickinger agreed - to select a Station - man it, & support it - by their people - through the A.M.A. - & have it considered a Station of Meredi Mission - so that before the World, we shall appear as one - & then we could interchange, & help each other - freely, as need might be.

But should they adopt, & recommend this plan to their Conf. - you see it would be the same as beginning a new Station, & take them all away from our present Stations. That the same, would require help from us, frequently, which would leave us even weaker, than before they came (!) - And shall we be brought into such straits? Heaven forbid! Surely you will see the crushing need of a new Company, of good men, & 2 or 3 more women - as speedily as possible.

Send forth urgent calls - Correspond, & pray for Laborers - Laborers. If Mclat cannot be obt.d just now, we should open Mokelly, a splendid place, ready, & open to us any day. & this would be an entering wedge, to get Mclat more easily, & with less money. - See my letter to S.S. Dec. 63 - The Lord direct you. Yours Br Geo Thompson.

The probability is that Shuey & Flickinger will not stay over a year, & if they feel as I think they will, that your mission is well manned, & Brooks is a strong man, & Mr Kelly & Mr Wolf are left here, the cause of Christ will be important & strengthened.

One boat & appurtenances

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NEW-YORK, the Thirtieth day of April 185 5

John P. Hutchinson

Bill of Lading
Brig G H Townsend
April 30 1855

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7018
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Harwich Port Mass. Apr. 6. / 55

Rev. George Whipple:

Dear Brother:

As I was writing to Br. Belden I thought I would enclose a line to you. I have thought much of the question you asked me; as to whether I could endure hardness and provocation. I know that it will never be pleasing to the flesh, but if Christ calls us to suffering, we may count it all joy when we fall into divers temptation. And I know if the Lord calls me to suffering He will sustain me in it

I have thought about what you said as to the difficulty of keeping clothes &c. from dampness and the insects, and it has occurred to me that a chest might be made and lined with zinc, what do you think of it? I have commenced a school in this place, to continue six months. I trust that I may be useful.

Yours truly.

Hannah Howes

Miss Hannah Hawes

Hancock Port Mass

April 6/55,

Rev Geo. Whipple Cor. Sec. A. M. A.

Perryville Pa. Apr. 7th 1855

Revd Geo Whipple

Dear Sir

I understand that Dr D. S. Lea and Lady are willing to accept an appointment as Missionaries to some foreign land

I am happy to inform you that the Doctor is worthy and I think well qualified to fill such a station and his Lady is a woman of uncommon energy of character and of superior accomplishments and is a worthy and estimable woman—

I write these things without solicitation—from a sense of duty

Yours with sincere respect

George H McNeill

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7020
FISK UNIV.

Perrysville April 1st 1855

Rev. Geo. Whipple

Cor. Sec. A. M. A.

Dear Sir – By this evening's mail I received yours of the 2nd, and hasten to comply with your request. Rev. Mr. Buffett has returned and mailed a letter to you on the 28th ult., which you have doubtless received by this time, in which I sent you a letter.

If you have received no reply to a letter you may have written to the Rev. Mr. Hendrix of Cin. it is because he is not in the city at present.

You will receive several letters from this village, by the same mail in which I send this. Mr. McNeil and Mr. Holcomb are men of integrity and christain principle, they both stand high in this community, and are respected wherever known. I am quite intimate with them, and they can judge of my character as a christain.

In the same envelop with this you will find a letter from Mrs. Blair, the wife of our oldest and most respected citizen; a lady who is an Israelite indeed, and who was anxious to contribute her part in this matter. She is a firm friend of the principles of the Association, and is able to judge of our qualifications. Perhaps with Bro. Buffetts and these letters, you may have sufficient; if not more can be adduced. I approve of your scrutiny – and will await the decission of the Com. with patient hope. My peculiar

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Perrysville April 1st 1855

Rev. Geo. Whipple

Cor. Sec. A. M. A.

Dear Sir – By this evening's mail I received yours of the 2nd, and hasten to comply with your request. Rev. Mr. Buffett has returned and mailed a letter to you on the 28th ult., which you have doubtless received by this time, in which I sent you a letter.

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circumstances appear to impell me forward to this or some other field of labor. I acknowledge a Guide who is conducting me by a way I have not known.

Not desiring to be appointed by the committee unless my references are satisfactory, yet should they prove so an early reply would be very acceptable.

Yours with much esteem

David J. Lee

David J. Lee
Pennsylvania
Apr 7/55

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Perrysville Apl the 7th "55

Rev George Whipple

Cor. Sec A. M. A.

Sir, Dr

Lee & lady have been residents of our village for near 2 years & though I kept a respectable distance for some length of time (it being my usual custom with all strangers) I was nevertheless a close & attentive observer of their walk & conversation.

Some eleven months ago my husband called them in as physicians, since which time they have been our family doctors; nor would we lay them aside for any other as we believe them fully competent to administer to both soul & body of any that may place themselves under their care; in a word their course & practice here has been one of high toned philanthropy & christian integrity.

I have been intimately acquainted with them since they became our medical advisers & believe them to be christians of a high order doing whatever they find to do with all their might. We much regret their leaving us, but bid them God speed in so glorious a cause as that which they contemplate engaging in

Yrs in the cause of Mission
Sarah C. Blair

Sarah C. Blair
Perryville Md.
Apr 7/55

See D. of L. Apr 7/55

T. G. Cole, M.D.
April 16, 1855

Wants

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Good Hope Cape 11. 1853

Rev. Geo. Whipple. Sec'y.

Dear Sir.

I take the opportunity of sending a note to you in the bundle of letters now to be forwarded. In addition to the former wants, expressed in last letter I send new requests from Station — for Gen'l Store. viz; 4 Doz Smiths Grammar 1 Box Shoes for the Market. Black, Brogans. and some low in the quarters — 100 lb. Extra Dried Beef. from Townes. and Hams. — A Box of Prep'd Flour, in packages — It is well spoken of by those who have used it. 10 Boxes of Tin for Roofing. 2 Bells, one about the size of this. — one a little larger.

Br. J. S. Brooks wants 1 Side of light Sole Leather, or Band Leather. for himself to make his own walking shoes —

3. Corded Skirts of different colors one of them White, for carpenters wife.

A few pieces of Silk Handkfs. the last cost about $2.75 a piece. They are all gone to soon - 6 Pr Good Morrocco. No. 6. Ladies Shoes for Mrs Barton. - 15 doz Copy Books.

I shall send again as soon as possible. May be next week. Dr Kumler. & possibly Dr Shuey may go back to America in a few weeks - When we shall try to be more full -

A gentleman from Boston wishes us to send to you for the following books - viz - The trial by Jury, by Lysander Spooner Goodlings Speeches. - Key to Uncle Toms Cabin; and wishes his name printed on the inside cover. of each book - as follows

"Herbert Williams,
George Street
Freetown,
Sierra Leone—"

We have seen nothing since
the Falmouth arrived—
Yours &c— T. Fyfe Clarke

Rev. G. Whipple, Cor. Sec'y. A. M. A.
48 Beekman Street N.Y.—

~~R. B.~~

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Boom Tally Station, Mendi Mission,
Mission House Mo Tappan 12th April 1855

Rev S. S. Jocelin Cor Sec A. M.
A. M. A. 48 Beekman St. New York

My Very Dear Brother

As we now have an opportunity to forward letters to Freetown to-morrow and hear that vessels will probably sail soon for dear America, I seat myself to write you a brief letter. I suppose you may be surprised to receive a letter dated at Mo Tappan in the Interior instead of Good Hope the Store Station to which I was appointed by the Ex. Com. I need not enter into particulars. probably it is not best that I should. Suffice it for me to say that on my arrival I was satisfied that the peace and highest interest of the Mission would be best promoted by the transfer of myself and wife to this place to be associates of Mr & Mrs Brooks. I accordingly kept back my letter of instruction & cheerfully suffered myself to be sent from Good Hope to Boom. I have already written to Mr Whipple & Mr Tappan about the matter and hope that my course may be approved by you. Peace & harmony I think should be had by us, even if purchased at some painful sacrifice. Is this good logic?

But enough on this point. A wide & inviting field is open to us here, Much more so I think than at Kaw Mendi or Good Hope. Our school is not so large as at Kaw Mendi. but if it were desirable we could increase it I think to 100 in three Months if we would only say to the people at the towns within 10 Miles of us, give us your children & we will take care of them & instruct them in school, as they are doing at Kaw Mendi. We have not yet Marked out our precise policy relative to schools, but I think that we shall deem it best to only have as many children here as we can have in the same house with us & have them sit at the same table. In a word do all that we can to show them the beauties of well regulated Christian families. We cannot, as a matter of course give these facilities to the same number as we could if we pursued the plan we have at Kaw Mendi. Viz to receive a large number and have houses entirely distinct from our own for both boys & girls. But we think that it will give us an opportunity to do it so much better that it will do more for the Country & zion than the former plan. As you will learn ere this reaches you we have three schools now in connection with the Boom Station. Viz one at Mo Gbungo, one at Mo Colony & one at Mo Tappan. If we can get an other good teacher we think to put another small school at Mo Fogi, a large town about 4 or Miles north of us up the Boom.

As I said before our field is an inviting one. and I am truly rejoiced at my trasfer. My wife and I are very happy in our associates Mr & Mrs Brook & Miss Wolsey who is also appointed to this station but is remaining at Kaw Bendi until our house is in a fit state to be occupied. And I think I venture nothing in saying that our associates are also happy in wife & me. This I feel I would have for my future field. Indeed I shall be unwilling to leave my field here unless requested to do so by our Ex Com through their Cor Secy. Their requests I hope to always hold myself ready to heed, at once. While I remain in the employment of the A. M. C. I am a little tired occasionally lest I be recalled by the Mission to occupy the station at G. Hor at K. M. I write very freely to you to urge the necessity of immediately sending out a man or men to occupy Mr Thompsons place, while he travels during next dry season, according to the permission of the Ex. Com. already forwarded to him. If men are not sent out to be here by Sept or, Nov at the latest, I see not how brother Thompson can leave his post even for a single month without seriously disarranging our plans for future progress! Shall we plead in vain!! Must it be that just as we get comfortably located, a little acquainted with our people & their habits, and our hands well fitted so as to work to advatage that we must leave all & fly to some other point to keep the wall from being broken, and the post from being either greatly cripled or entirely abandoned! Must this be so!!!

A great must we be kept thus limping along retarded at every step for the want of a few reliable laborers!! O it is too too bad! Can no appeal be put forth that will be heeded & call forth laborers to gather this perishing whitened harvest!
How long must your crushed Missionaries call and hear no effective response! If you would know our labors read bro Brooks Annual Report forwarded in Jany. from this station to bro Whipple.
I think that all the schools as far as I can see there are doing really a good work. But enough on this point. Mrs Jeff and I are comfortably well, and have been so ever since our arrival, I suppose that Dr Cumber will accompany this letter. If as we hope he arrives safely, he will tell you all about us &c. I hear from my dear wife and Miss Worley that the work of God is still going on with interest there, One or two recent conversions. And I think that the Holy Spirit has began to move here to a limited extent. One of our Masons came in a few evenings since to tell me that his conscience troubled him and to ask what he should do to please God. Our sabbath evening meetings have been quite solemn the two sabbaths I have spent up here. Remember Mrs Jeff & myself to your dear family. We shall not soon forget your great kindness to us. If you choose I would like to have brother Whipple read this letter. I have not time to write to him to-day. Love to bro Jappson & Bedine Miss Dodge & William. Affectionately your Missionary
J. Cutter Jeff

Rev J. C. Jeff
Born Falls Station
March 12/55
W. Appin
Answ. Whipple

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Lexington S. Zion Mch 1855

L. Lafayette Esqr

Dear Sir - I have taken a liberty unasked. for the sake of our Mission. i.e.: of giving an order or bill of exchange on you as Treas. of the A. M. A. for the sum of thirty three dollars & $\frac{22}{100}$ dollars on acct of Mendi Mission to "Jno. E. Taylor" Esqr. for provisions this day bot of him - Not having heard as had been expected, the sum from you - I - We have rec'd the package per "G. W. Townsend -

I gave the above noticed bill. as it was equally good to him - & sent to us a like sum in the hands of our agent. Mr Whipple can give you partial idea of how our money at stands here - The report will be in hand we hope by next opportunity to send to you - or the Trans

Your Obt. Serv't - Ylesh

Dr Cole
April 12/55
ans Apl 13

P.S. As soon as the gravel
pa G. H. T. can be taken to G Hope
a report of the same shall be given
the Society. Each one may favor
can answer for such themselves

T/G

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Lake Mendi April 14/55

Dear Mr Whipple. I hate to write another note before the Boat goes on Monday, & God Hope I have already sent a Tract & Martha, open for your perusal, respecting the gracious refreshing, here, again on last Sabbath eve. & Monday morning. Jubilant, for the encouragement of friends

My health is much better again, & sore boils are spreading over my body. Bon head & feet always a good symptom. Sign of returning health.

I wrote to Dr Cole, in charge of General Store, to send to America for some Books, among which I included Greek & Latin elementary Books. He writes, disapproving of introducing those studies here, yet, should he not order them. I hereby do so. James Anderson has been pleading a long time to study these studies, & I want him & Dow, & better specially him for an Interpreter & Translator. He will learn them quick, & thoroughly. Mr G. Leaken will also take them readily, & make a very valuable Translator & Teacher.

I want as many as 3 elementary "Greek Lessons" & 3 "Greek Grammars, & "Readers". & 1 Greek & English Lexicon. I like Grove. Perhaps these are improved over. I want 3 elementary Latin Lessons, 3 Grammars, & Readers & 1 Latin & English Lexicon. Send such as you think best.

Brs Shuey, & Hankinson, have been this week, to Mokelly, & perhaps overland to Mr Toppan. They have not yet returned. I am yet alone, mostly, except the assistance, & company of the Young Ladies, which I prize highly. They enjoy rides much.

I am to stay here, I want a room of those five, which I got from Br Foster's store, at the time the Dr. Burton he came out. I don't know their name. I think Foster will remember - & be confined to his Cots. Bon the date of his death.

Sword - "God forbid that I should glory, save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Xt" - But through God, "I have labored more abundantly than they all", connected with this Mission. And tho. I be "rude in manners & speech" - tho my education is but a "smattering", yet "I am not behind the very chiefest of them" ——

I have been persecuted, charged with falsehood, over statements, exaggerations, &c from 1850 to this time. Numbers have tried hard to crush me - to spoil my name, destroy my influence, & reputation - like the dog in the manger, would neither work, nor let me work peacefully — They have found benefit with me for doing too much, & for not doing - for writing too much - omitting wrong things - for my peace principles - for persisting - for reproving sin &c I have all. for a truthful tribunal -

But George, humanly speaking, where would this Mendi Mission have been, but for the persecuted convict? Who is there now connected with the Mission - who has been connected with it since Raymond's death, till now, that has not been led to join it, directly in consequence of my writings & appeals. There cannot be one named (except Susan Brooks) so much for the Labors. Well, where would be thousands of dollars in your Treasury, but for my published Letters, continually, from Maine to Iowa? They would be found ——.

While, therefore I have such proofs of my heavenly Father's approbation - I will bear all, & say "Let them curse, but bless Thou" — I am not boasting. I suggest these facts for your consideration & are your testing

Yrs Thompson

And would there have been a Church here, but for myself? Men? Have left it a shattered, & well nigh ruined, while men have disowned? Lord! Has not the Lord given them all grace

Some time ago, Br Fice, of Ky, wrote requesting me to write a series of articles for the A Missionary, answering some apologies for Slavery, & Liberia. I have long delayed, because I could not get my mind upon it —

But this week, I have written nearly all the week, what time I could get, & have got 5 sheets, for him. He proposed, to publish the articles from the paper, in a pamphlet, for circulation, in the South. I have not prepared a series of Articles, but written it for a pamphlet at once, if he thinks it worth it — or to do what he pleases with it.

Please read, & forward to him, with any suggestions you think proper —

I think it will be seen that the matter is brought forward (very briefly) in a somewhat new light, which, perhaps would do good in Slave States, for which, expressly, it was written — In the North I should have led it differently. This for Slave States —

My Section on Liberia is said, by a woman with us, who has lived there, to be strictly true — She tells much more, & a great deal worse —

Jeff. writes from Mo Tappan, that there is some religious interest there.

Much love — Your Bro Geo Thompson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Geo Thompson
Apl 16/55

April 16th Yesterday, a very solemn day
In morn. Jane Winters visited the Village, & talked to them
At 10½ I preached from "My sin is ever before me" – Solemn
Then S.S. after which Jane had a prayer meeting with
the Children – interesting – At 3 I preached in the Town
At the same, a female prayer meeting at Daddy Johnson,
very melting, weeping & fervent prayer – P.M. went to
his appt on Barnat River. At 5 Miss Mure preached at
the Village – In the eve I preached from the Barren Fig tree, &
the Lord came down again in great power – converting, as we hope,
sinners to themselves. Give God the Glory. Yours Geo Thompson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Boom Falls Station. Mendi Mission. W.A.
Mission House. McCarthy 14th April. 1855

Rev. Geo. Whipple.
Cor. Sec. A. M. A.
48 Beekman St., New York.

My dear Brother.

In my letter of yesterday I promised to communicate more fully some thing in which I thought you would feel a deep interest, and let it be understood that that portion which represents Bro. Tefft, is so far impartial as I can well be, and so of others of my associates whom I may mention. Excuse me if I further say that so far as I know I am in perfect friendship with all my Brethren, and therefore shall not be disposed to make one, more than another, appear to a disadvantage. Indeed I have no disposition to allude to differences of feeling, and opinion among us, further than to serve you, whose right it is to know why your wishes are not carried out by us.

The questions why is Br. Tefft. at McCarthy? Why not at Good Hope as suggested by the Co. Com.? are questions you will often revolve in your mind; but who will answer? Well Brother I will answer so far as I am qualified and I think I can safely say that I knowing both sides can do as much justice as any other one. For some months before Br. T.

arrived at the Mission your Missionaries at Good Hope began seriously to object to his longer sustaining the relation of general agent &c. &c. to our mission 1st. Because in holding that relation it would be necessary for him to be stationed at Good Hope and have the care of the interesting family which Br. Burton has been able to collect together. Br. Burton felt that he could not give up his charge in favor of Br. Jeffs believing as he did that Br. J. was no lover of children and therefore would not fully carry out the plans he had so well begun. 2d. It is necessary for our Gen. Agt. to make frequent trips to Town. It is believed by some of our company that we should be strictly American in every circle and conform to nothing strongly European. It is said that Br. Jeffs has in some instances conformed to English & Church customs to the sacrifice of the principles of our Mission. To specify an instance, it is said that Br. Jeffs has made use of the Prayer Book and Church Liturgy when called to preach for the Wesleyan Missionaries. It is further affirmed that Br. Jeffs stops in Town too long to practise dentistry using the money thus earned for privat purposes while his bills of board &c are all settled by the Mission. 3d. It is desirable that we give at our stations a decided preference to Americanisms where they are at variance with Europeanisms. Some of our number feel that Br. Jeffs has and will continue to give preferance to the latter. 4th. It is also thought by some of us that Br. Jeffs is not as close & prudent in his purchases as he aught to be or as he might be. These together with a few minor reasons

were talked of untill a portion of our number felt that the peace of our mission demanded that Br. Jeffs should know the state of feeling existing on the part of his associates. On Br. Jeffs learning these things he felt that he could not take the general store and when it was proposed that he join me at this station he felt willing & happy in doing so. It is just to say that Br. Jeffs was never spoken to on these points by those objecting to his having the store station, and I have since learned that his views in regard to schools and management of children agrees with Br. Boston's most fully. It is due Br. Boston to say that he was ill when the matter was pending and could not talk enough to meet Br. Jeffs though Br. J. desired it much. As the matter now stands there is much good feeling existing on all sides, yet there is too much unpleasantness associated with the good feeling. If I may be allowed to hazard an opinion I would confidently say that I believe that a little time with care & interchange of thought on the subjects connected with the improvement of our schools and better regulation of our families, which are now being happily agitated will reestablish as warm a brotherly feeling as has heretofore existed among us. I indeed there is now more good feeling among us generally than there was one year ago. By the past we have learned some things which if remembered will be of great service to us. Acclimation is a trial to the temper which but few are able to endure. Since that is past with most of us we hope for love & union

In thinking of and dealing with us for our differences and difficulties you cannot bear too strongly in mind this last mentioned fact. No man without two or three years in this climate can have any considerable idea of the peculiar irritating effect of the climate on the temper. Men proverbially meek and gentle in America after a few months residence here become irritable, hasty, and unreasonable. Little things become mountains, words intended in kindness fall upon the heart like firebrands in flax to smoke but a moment then burst into a blaze. Trifling matters of difference in taste or judgment lead on to disputes and sometimes to quarrels. The man once frank and brotherly when injured now strangely broodes in silence over, often imagining wrong untill he feels that his best friends are his avowed enemies.

Under this strange influence one of your missionaries has been seen to rush upon a native and break over his head a stolen a heavy oak staff, and again go and deliberately load a pistol and go out with it to shoot a man & brother in the Church, another has be known often to catch hold of the most handy weapon, and fly to the object of his momentary dislike as if he would leave them to the ground, and another to clench his fist, under the smart of provoking insolence, & deal heavy blows upon the person offending. I feel that I can safely say that we have all more or less participated in these feelings & have as often, I hope wept over our weakness.

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Closely connected with the influences of the climate is the origin of Dr. Coles difficulties, which I will here refer to for the sake of informing you of them, with the hope, that so far as you can, you will lighten, what you cannot fully remove. It is proper to remark in the onset, that Dr. Cole was given by you and others, to expect ordination before embarking for Liberia. He also expected to have had instructions from you, to spend the most of his time in traveling, to explore the country, and learn the causes of the diseases of this climate, that he might adapt his practice to them. In these he has been disappointed. Yet he feels that you expect of him all that he understood you to expect, but you, together with the mission, have tied his hands with cares & duties, foreign from his profession, so that he is unable to meet those expectations. One of your letters he understands to be a reproof for his not making your wishes, as stated above. Your inability to answer his letters promptly & fully he regards as silent reproof. While under the peculiar influence of the climate, these things rise before his mind like mountains, and he often feels that he cannot live & labor under such peculiar circumstances. He is sometimes led to believe that some of his associates have been writing against him, that you have meditated a recall, & diverse other things are against him.. Let me, my dear Brother, suggest that you write freely kindly encouragingly and fully at an early date. By so doing you may do great good

Allow me here to raise the curtain of the future a little to take one sober look at April or May of 1856. What is the prospect before us? What changes are we to look for? Why, nothing but vacancies & stations. The climate will compell most likely Brothers Burton Cole Sisters Aldrich & Rose to visit the States. Br Thompson will not be able to do anything for the mission and carry out his projects for Travelling. Brothers Thomas & Kumler are expected to be off to the States soon & Brother Hickinger is looking forward with hope to open a station at Mokelly. What there will be done for Kaw Mweli, Good Hope & Bela I know not. You will see by this that we have a small prospect of sustaining these stations. I am grieved exceedingly to think of it. Why is it that we cannot get men who can and will make the sacrifice? Is it through fear of the climate? If so, this should not be. Some many have died, but experience shows that deaths late years have been the exception of the rule. The day over of acclimating here can be no greater under the present enlightened treatment than in any other part of the world in the same latitude. Some of the effects of this climate are peculiar but not so deadly as many places in the tropics or the American continent frequented by northern men, without much talk of fevers & death. The acclimation of the last company though in many respects they were unfavorably situated proves to my mind by one & a doubt that acclimation is a safe process in nine cases out of ten. We should not be afraid to do good! —

Though things look so dark yet we are considering the propriety of opening some new stations. Wela stands first on our list and is an important point for health and as an acclimating recruiting and distributing station. When established it will be to the Dyong country what Bonne Salle station is destined to be to the Boompey & Loobor countries. Br. Burton's heart is most fully set on the opening of this station and is intent on making it a modelle station for which I think he is well qualified. About 12 miles beyond this is Mc Kelley & its suburbs affording one of the most interesting, condensed, and hopful fields within my knowledge. I regard it as well situated for health and convenient of access over land in the wet or dry seasons & during the hight of the rains can be approached by large canoes. The overland route is a pleasant one, over a fine rolling district watered by beautiful sparkling streams of water which is both pure & soft. Our united Bretheren contemplating the opening of this station the coming dry season.

The Kittam is another field open before us. The cry from the chiefs and people is unanimous. Come over and help us, teach our children, protect us and our children from war by your influence. Come and use your influence against the slave trade that our sons and daughters may secure to us that the temptation to war may be lessened. All these reasons have been urged by the chiefs of the Kittam through their messenger to me, hoping that by them we might be influenced to open a station on the

Kittaw. But what can we say with the prospect before us of our stations being dismanned in the space of a few months. Can we deny them, put them off, or shall we mock them by saying we are coming soon! My dear Brother be assured that after we have wept and prayed for years that the Lord would open before us just such a field as we have it is hard to turn a deaf ear to the Macedonian cry or promise help where there is no hope of meeting our promises. I need not say we should open stations on the Kittaw or refer to the advantages such stations would give our mission. You having maps of the country will at once see these. but it might be well for me to say that the banks of the Kittaw though low at its junction with the Boom and on the west side yet a several high localities are to be found thirty or forty miles from its mouth on the east bank, overlooking the sea and so near the beach as to be in hearing of the sealess roar of the lashing waves, and even fanned by the strong sea breeze. It does seem to me that such localities must be healthy or comparatively so. When shall they be occupied! The church must take the responsability of answering. We their servants are willing but cannot.

We should do more at this station. 1st This station should be at once divided. Mr Gwari should be supplied with a competant missionary force to establish a school and open three or four preaching places. The field is open and circumstances

are pressing us into it. Since last Christmas we have had a School there, and has taken one service on the Sabbath. For the greater part of the time we have been compelled to have the work to a Colonial teacher of very ordinary attainments without scarcely visiting him. It is a grievous that we are compelled to do so and a great disappointment, it has been to the natives. As soon as may be we should open a Station on the McGregor side of the river & man it well. This would save the necessity of crossing the river so often as we are now obliged to and it would greatly strengthen our position here, secure to us a wider influence, render more permanent and productive our labors. It is a large inviting and accessible field and must be occupied as an independent Station.

As we cannot accomplish so much as we desire we have concluded to build a teachers house at McGregor & and place a good man there with his wife. Open a School at Sumbwea to be taught by in connection with the McGregor School. By the same teacher, at the same time, have a Sewing circle to be made up of all the women & children wishing to be instructed in the art, to be under the tuition of the teachers wife. The present teacher (who is single) at N.96. to be removed to this side of the river to teach schools at Tissana and Mt Fogi. This is briefly our plan.

As soon as we become settled in our new house, we shall be better able to carry into effect our plans. Then I shall be free to give the most, or all of my time to schools, and the government and training of the children connected with the Mt Zaspan boarding school. The boarding school is to be made up of small children, who are to be bound to the Mission for a term of years, sufficient to cover the usual period of minority. They are to be as perfectly separated from their parents, and united to us, as adopted children may be. We propose to admit these children into our family, as part of it, to all intents and purposes, to clothe, lodge, feed, & otherwise manage them, as adopted children. We are to eat at one board, drink of one fountain, & pray at one altar, with the hope that by creating such close relations, the children may catch the spirit of our social relations, founded in piety towards God, and drink so deeply of its pleasures, that the indulgences of heathen life, may have but little, or no power to hold them bond slaves to its vile altars. We have seen with pain and sorrow of heart, the weakness of our influence over our pupils, while we hold them at arms length. We must fold around them our arms, and hug them to our bosoms, and make them feel the strength and warmth of affection, before they can be fully sensible of the cold heartlessness of idolatry, & their own selfish social custom.

By drawing them so close to us, we hope to make such a place in their hearts, as nothing can fill but God, & the mutual exercise of those social faculties he hath planted in the heart.

The influence of such a family & school, in the midst of this people you will at once see, will be tremendous. Simply as a contrast, an exception, living, perpetual & striking monument, and witness of a better way, it will have power to convince even those established in the ways of the country. It will ever be a subject of thought, inquiry, remark and daily conversation, depositing silently, yet a certain influence, in favor of the customs & habits sheltered by our holy religion. Such an aid to our work we need, we must, and God willing, we will have.

We are aware that the improvement proposed will add to our cares and labors & make it necessary for us to deny ourselves of some of the comforts of life we might enjoy, were we to live more for ourselves, and add a trifle to the cost of supporting a given number of children; but we are at the same time confident that more will be effectually done, by the same means, labors & privations than by following the old plan.

As this letter covers a part, only, of the subjects proposed in my last to you, you may expect another communication soon, which will take up the remaining topics. Till then

I remain, My dear Brethren,
Unworthily in Christian bonds,
Your Missionary
John S. Brooks.

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But if they should be so unfortunate as to appoint to this field a man of strong party feeling who could not agree to preach Christ without pressing the name of their sect it would be a matter of regret to us that they had the power to misrepresent our holy religion and benevolent designs by preaching Paul or Apolos either with or without Christ Jesus the joy and hope of the heathen, introducing questions and strifes about words which the heathen convert cannot comprehend without supposing as did Paul that Christ was divided or that another than he hath died. To avoid such or the least danger there should be carefully studied. I do hope that every precaution will be taken to prevent such a blighting result as might follow an revival of partyism. The Missionary field above all others should be regarded so sacred and emphatically Christs as to make all names, and parties, and sisms melt away while the hearts of every representative of the dear name of Christ sweetly & lovingly blend in one effort for the salvation of the thousands perishing without hope and without God. The field is so vast in extent, the work to be done so great in every individual case, the time allotted for each to labor so short and the time to effect the desired results necessary so long how important that we should be united both in our plans and labors and spend no time in unnecessary contentions about the difference between a Shade and a Shadow. May God save this Mission from divided & partisan hearts will ever pray

You have been informed by Dr. Cole in his report of our last meeting of the fact of our having matter discussion and finally past a resolution on the subject of war. The object of that resolution was to meet certain circumstances in which we have been and may on any future day be placed. You will doubtless recollect the peculiar circumstances in which I was placed nearly two years ago at Bogo when I bought my self off for two pcs. cloth. Also the trials of 2½ years ago at Kaw Mendi when we felt bound to give presents to war chiefs first because the country was in a state of war. We are also called upon to make presents to warriors who present no other claims but the simple fact that they are warriors. Again we may be called upon to redeem as it is called our town from an invading troop at some future time, and then to redeem it "back" again when the other party prevales. or we may be called upon to give handsomely for the protection of the country in case of war here. These are all trying cases for one to decide on his own responsability in the spur of the moment and I for one having been blamed for previous actions under such circumstances desired an expression of opinion from our whole number. And I am happy to say that the resolution referred to above sets the matter at rest covering the whole grounds, so that in future we are not to resist war or grant the claims of war or individuals warriors, under any circumstances.

I think that this is just the position we ought to occupy. a position some like the one our good old Quakers occupied in the days of their trial. Nothing that will be converted directly or indirectly to war purposes, or constructed to its support, should we allow in ourselves, or countenance in others. We know that with a revolver, or a few rockets, we might scatter any body of men the country could raise against us, ~~but~~ and by paying sums of money to the support of war, we could buy ourselves off where we might not wish to fight, but I feel that as representatives of the Prince of Peace we should neither use, praise, or inflame their superstitions, to save ourselves from the small loss of some property.

Besides, what a God, what promises have we to sustain us, more effectual than a thousand revolvers, and be trusted when fire works are consumed. If God be for us, what need we fear Who is against us, If he will overthrow, why should we not desire it also, If he would remove us by other calamities of war, why should we choose other ways which might not be so effectual, or so precious in the eyes of the Almighty. If God would make the wrath of man to praise him, why should we stretch forth our hand to restrain it. I say again, that I am, therefore satisfied, and do rejoice in the position we have taken, and hope I may have grace, ever to sustain it, worthy of the name of a Christian Missionary.

I will now close this letter, by giving you a statement of our finances. Our books show, that there has been expended for Mr Jappan's School, £ 9 " 5 " 0

Mr Gbongo School,	1 " 16 " 0	
Mr Gbwari Station & School,	7 " 17 " 5	
Buildings,	97 " 4 " 7½	
Farm,	4 " 12 " 4	
Family,	7 " 10 " 7	
Transportation,	7 " 16 " 7½	
Mr Jappan,	4 " 12 " 9½	
J. S. Brooks,	6 " 15 " 5½	
Total, — £	139 " 17 " 10	

Mr Jappan's School includes teachers wages, childrens clothes & books.

Family includes childrens board, and Missionaries board, wages of cook & washerwoman.

Mr Jappan's includes, heavy furniture, general tools, customs to our landlord, presents & palavers.

Buildings includes all building expenses, the chief of which are for the new house.

With prayers for your health and usefulness, for the health & prosperity, unity & peace of our Missionary company, & for the conversion of the world to Christ our Saviour, I remain, My dear Brother, unworthy your Missionary,

John S. Brooks

J. S. Brooks to Anderson 1/55

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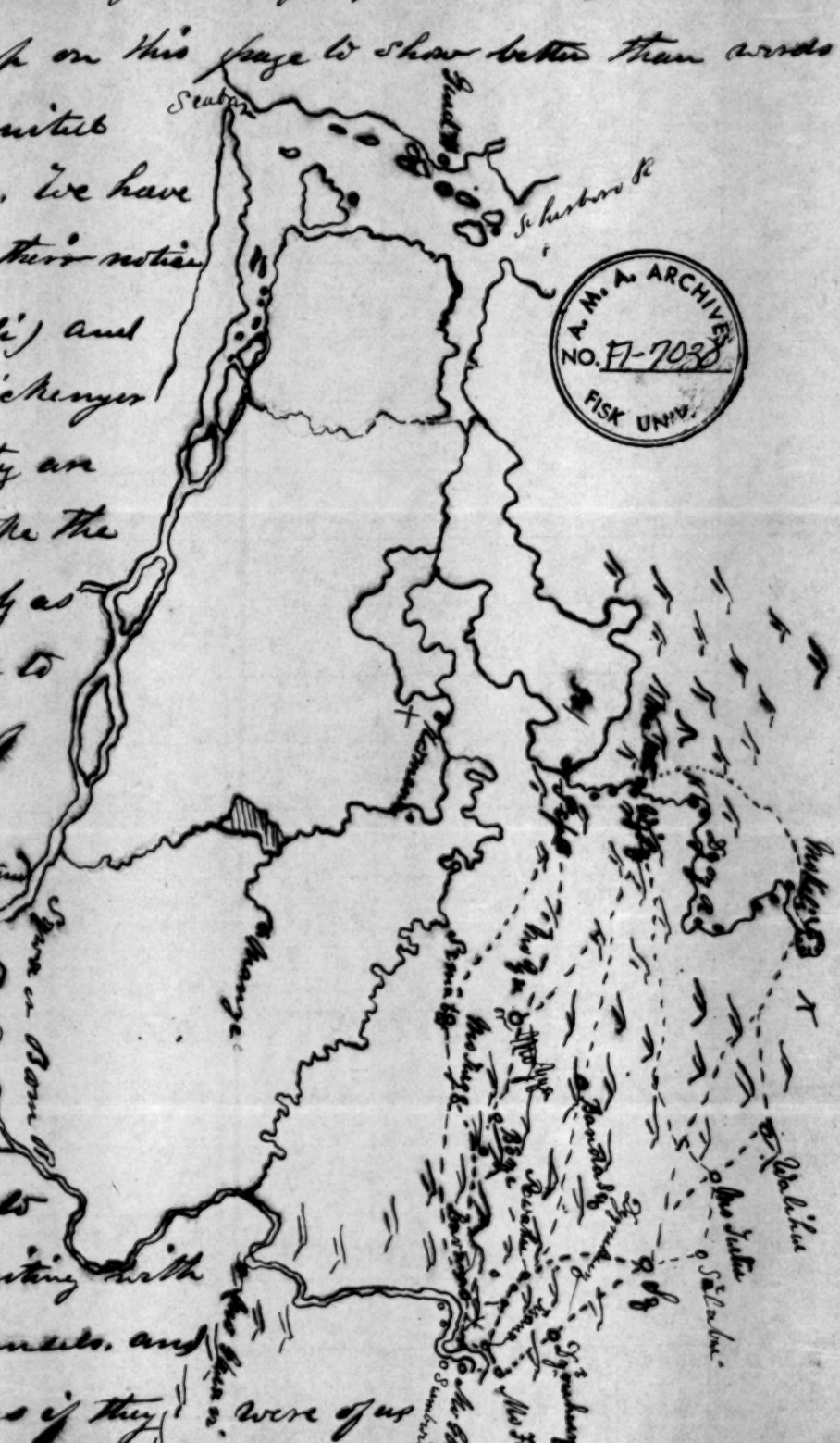
Part of letter of April 21

I sketch the map on this page to show better than words can do the locality our United Brethren wish to occupy. We have strongly recommended to their notice McKelly (Fonticing McKeli) and after Bro. Shuey & Flickinger visited it I think they are prepared to undertake the opening of it as early as Br. F. shall be able to the task. Their plan of labor in connection with us, as I understand it is, to have their own stations man & sustain them themselves as a denomination or auxiliary to our association uniting with us in our plans, counsels, and all general matters as if they were of us regarding themselves in the matter of labor here as seperate stations of the same mission. But they recommend their society to take the responsibility of their support. If we can have such men as the three with us seem to be, I for one fully agree with this plan.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Mendi Mission, Boom Falls Station,
Mission House, Mo. Sapson 16th April 63

Rev Geo Thompson & Son
Mr & Mrs H. H. Berkman N.Y.

My Dear Brother

The 27th of March I wrote to you from here, informing you of my arrival at this place of my appointment by our Mission. I informed you that I was pleased and happy in my appointment. Also with the location of the Station house. I also told you I think that Mr Tiffany and at Kaw Mendi. I think though that I should not personally find it necessary to trouble you with the very letter again in some time. But I now decide it best to write. I hope, briefly, in my letter from Gorah Sapson this place, I did not tell you why I decided remain at L. I. only that I thought peace would be promoted more fully by my receiving an appointment to Mo Sapson. This was for two reasons. 1st I did not wish to say or do any thing which should pain your heart. 2nd I knew only the facts which Br Brooks states, these I learned from him & Br Thompson. That there were feelings against Mr. The reasons for those feelings I learn more fully from Br Brick's letter, and at this time, from I had some previous knowledge of them. Brooks kindly shown the two letters. There is a perfect understanding about the old matter with Br

Having learned as above the reasons of the objections of my associates to my administration I think it due to you as well as myself to say a few words by way of explanation. I do not wish to bring up any past between our Ex. Com. & my brethren. I came out intending to have peace, even if I had it at a sacrifice. These are still my intentions. If I know myself I have no feelings of bitterness to be gratified against either of my associates male or female. If I am not at peace with all, I feel convinced that it is not because I have not sought to do so. Before I say any thing about the reasons assigned for the opposition of my brethren to me, I will remark that, neither of them ever came to me to make the least complaint or to ask whether any of the objections they bring against me, were true or not. For this I do feel hurt, grieved. I must acknowledge. I went to America, rejoicing as far as I knew, I was held in high terms by the confidence of all my associates. And had I not supposed that that was so I should have been unwilling to have returned, I should have gone as I so well knew I was strongly disposed to do, to Jamaica or W. I. & if you had desired a remained in America. I cannot say that I am sorry that I came here. For I felt, as when I first came, that my coming was ordered by the wise providence of the Lord that I ought to be here. I shall therefore, as Brother Brooks has informed you that I have in this instance, cheerfully & happily take any place assigned I shall go the best I can.

Our mind was about my appointment to this place and I paid. I am not grieved at the appointment this is my dear wife. If we could have had our choice it never would have been our way to have remained at Good Hope. This we often talked about coming over. And we often said if our feelings were consulted we should choose this place & for Pastor Brooks as our associate. I only speak of this to show you that my letter is not from any feelings of dissatisfaction at our appointment. But to the reasons & their explanation.

1st The matter of Children. Brooks has made all that need to be said about this objection. 2d I have used the prayer book of the Church of England. Well this is a pretty grave charge & I plead guilty, & assure you that if I am even in town and my Wesleyan brethren are sick as I believe they always have been when I have used the prayer book for them before sermon, according to their usual custom, I will use it again if asked. I have none of my own like Pastor Brooks but I can usually borrow one when necessary. To the Wesleyans I will become a W— if necessary to gain them. Now I wrote in this matter of "Englishism & Americanism." They have never specified as far as I can learn what they mean on this point & need say nothing. 4th I have remained in Trinidad to practice Dentistry. Just the money in my pocket & the mission has paid all my bills. Still I have to say about this charge is that it is false in its particulars. 5th I have never remained in town a day for the purpose of practicing Dentistry. 6th The mission has not paid all my bills.

When I have come to town I have completed my business & my mind have not yet become used so as to be ready to return. And when I have been detained waiting for lawyers masons, carpenters &c &c I have at the earnest request of some of our friends like the Chief Justice Colo. Secretary the Customs, & some of the Merchants &c practised the healing art as an act of mercy & necessity. I have also been urged upon me received an equivalent for my time & materials. I have seldom made a charge but received any thing they offered me if it was not too much.

On one occasion I was forced to take £1. for extracting a single tooth for a rich merchant, which had baffled all their physicians for some days. This money I have considered my own. Yet when I have had some native presents, I have purchased some articles for myself & not unfrequently for general use. I have purchased them & made no account of it to the Mission. And in purchasing articles to send or take to my friends in America instead of using the Mission money, as I think all my associates have rightly to. I have used my own money occasionally. At this charge of dishonesty. I do feel hurt as you may well suppose, especially because never spoken to about it.

"If I have not been so careful in buying goods for the Mission" Still I left Mr Hill because she would not sell them cheap enough & I purchased about one pound of Mr Ezzeid in which my brother making the complaint have purchased £5. for the same reason. What they charge me with is a matter of no Office with Mr Nathan & not mine. But enough I am at the station of my choice & shall be unwilling to leave it unless called by you. My brother's call I shall feel is not sufficient. In love to all the Ex Com. I am your aff't missionary L. Tyler

J. C. Tyler Jaffa 14/5/56

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Perryville Ia. April 19th 1855.

Mr Whipple, Dr Sir,

I wrote you some weeks since communicating information respecting Dr Lee & wife. Since then I have been happy to see a divine blessing on my labors in teaching them the doctrines of grace preparatory to their entering the missionary field. The Dr has made quite commendable progress He is evidently taught of God; so as on the whole to embrace the Calvinistic System. - On the subject of perfection; he holds indeed to an entire consecration to God - but has abandoned his old error of sinlessness attained in this life as the result. I am more more inclined to think that he is truly called of God into the missionary field. His interest therein is no sudden poetic impulse of fancy; - but has every appearance of being the godliest deep lasting desire to glorify Christ among the heathen which has been implanted by the Holy - Ghost specially calling him into the foreign field -

Respectfully Yours

Wm L Burpett

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New Mendi April 24/55

Dear Bro Whipple, The good work goes on. Last Sabbath again, was a time of power. Bro Tappan was here. He had never been in such a meeting - knew not what to do, but felt that God was there, & he must not lay his hand to the ark. He was deeply affected, & interested, by the melting scene - as every one must be who can witness it, unless they feel to prescribe & dictate to God how He shall work —

My health is again good, & my hands full - yet alone. Sis Winters jumps in heart & soul - I never saw any one so deeply interested in every thing, as she is. Sis Morlay, is not much behind her - a good girl, & splendid teacher - such as we have needed.

In writing from Freetown to her friends, she wrote, "For my description of this place, see Thompson in Africa" - It is true, "Correct" - And here she says, she sees in life, what is described in the Book - And Jane, & Louisa, think my colors are not fully bright enough. (Show this to Tappan)

I cannot write much, now - as Shuey, & Kemler, are to start home, next week, (as they send word) - & I want to say a word.

What report they will carry back, of the land, I can't say - but I fear. I am told that Shuey feels disappointed - but (1). I am told, by one who knew, that he began to lay plans for going home, while coming over, when he felt sea sick - (2) Others who have been with him, say he is dreadfully home sick, thinking about his family. (3) I was told, last night, that his heart was so set on home, that he would not stay during the Rains, for any thing - & (4) If he makes a Report, how can it be depended on? What has he seen? What does he know. He has travelled some, flying. & has seen places he likes. He has seen Good Hope, & been with those, who have not interested his heart in the work much. I am told he feels disappointed with this place. but I must protest against any testimony he can bear as to our operations, or the state of the church in

Don't let Shuey, or Kemler, see my letter, & Dayton, or Kemler, have these, but send them, as soon as possible, after your return.

He was here one Sunday, seemed deeply interested. He attended my boys' class, once, seemed much pleased. Mr Fleckinger remarked. "I don't think the same number of boys, in America, of similar ages, could be brought together, who would talk so well, intelligently on the subject of Religion" — But in our meetings of special interest, none of the Brethren, but Lefft. (Cert Sabbath) have been present. (Br Cole, came in one, a long time ago, but reduced his prejudices very much) —

Now to have Br Sheley, turn right round, I go home, is too bad. He is a man of power, should do great good here. I hope he will have good sense enough just to tell what he has seen, & there leave it. without saying that I, or the other one has misrepresented, when he has not allowed himself to know. Give him advice, after you see how he stands. Should he, do as Burton did. I am ready to fire again, & hope I ever shall be, when it is thus dishonored —

She, shall others, who will not make themselves acquainted; better be careful how they call my Book, or Lectures, misrepresentations or I may bring out a "Key" The facts are at hand.

I am ready to meet the world, on the charge of misrepresentation. I am blamed, by Burton Esq. for getting up that "Testimony" signed by all here, for the Committee — am told "It was very ungentleman" — but I feel no guilt. I should think the ungentlemanness, all lay on the side of those who "compelled me, to resort to such means, to let you know that I am not alone, in my views of things here —

I forward my letters to Dayton, by first mail, as they may be of great importance.

Sheley can tell you, for himself, what he has seen, what he thinks. He ought never to have come, to see home so jaundiced — his report must necessarily be very incomplete, dissatisfactory. Br Kimler, ought never to come he is too old & fretty. Remember what Lefft wrote to you, before he

want home — Stop to out any more speakings & let the Elders do the work themselves — The are now, again, suddenly, almost without help, as before. I have, for years, expect female help — help to do for them! — We must live & learn, but we will be done here! Sister Laborers: I must have some, unless my wife comes, Yours, Gee Thompson

Mr. B. Belcher
April 26/55

Rev Geo Whipple

Good Hope Mission House Phila Dec 26th

Rev Geo Whipple Cor 8th & Mt sts.

Respected Sir

I send a box directed to Mr Wm D Walcott c/o G Mills.

Will you please be so kind as to forward it to him soon as convenient and inform him of the same; Also a letter inclosed in your envelope, read if you wish, then please seal and forward, and accept my thanks

Yours respectfully
Mary B Aldrich

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Raw Mendi April 28/70

Dear George. I cannot let Bro Sheey go without adding another word. Last night Dr C. & Mr Rothrock came up, at my request, to consult & pray with Jane Hunter. By him I rec'd a letter from Bro Sheey in which he says — (1) They have resolved to recommend to their Committee a union with this Mission. (2) That his object in going home so soon, is to encourage the Missionary work here. That he cannot oppose the work here. (I hope he will not) — (3) That he does not return so soon, because "weary of the country, or discouraged with the prospects," but because the Rains are at hand which will prevent further travelling & they wish to have a company in a state of forwardness — (4) He says he has been disappointed, in some respects, I gather, not that he got wrong impressions, & thinks others have, from my writings, from "the want of some qualifications in view of the difference of things in Africa, & America". Now how can any one say, who has read my writings, that I have not shown the vast difference? And again, how perfectly ridiculous, (if I had not shown it) for men of sense & intelligence, to think of Africa, as comparing with America! And if they come, & are disappointed, in such respects, who but themselves are to blame? — I take no blame. — I have, in my Book, Sermons, Letters, &c spoken of the difference. — (5) He says, at Raw Mendi there is "too much a mixture of heathenism with Christianity"!! — Now what can he mean? I know not. And what right has he to make such a remark, when he has not lived here, to become acquainted with the church, &c? Others on the ground, of the new comers, who have been here, & seen things, speak in the highest praise of the School, & Church? Said Susan Morley, "I believe if there are any Christians anywhere, they are here, in this church" — & Jane Hunter, she never saw anything so interesting. & Hutchinson said "I don't think the same number of boys can be found in America, who can talk so understandingly on the subject of Religion"

Geo. Whipple
U. A. Beatty

G. Thompson Oct 26/70

If he means: he finds Heathens, & Heathen living in the same Town, I cant deny. If he means Converts, who do not embrace fully all our civilized habits, I admit, & say, I dont expect they will, nor try to have them. It is unreasonable, & foolish to require it from them. If he means there is "a mixture" in the Instructions given - it only shows, what I find fault with, that he dont know - for those here say, they never heard such close, searching preaching. I leave it - not knowing his meaning - grieved at the remark.

If in a Heathen Land, he expects to find no remains of their old habits, be after a few years labor - he better stay at home.

(5) He speaks of the "loose manner in which things are conducted, at Raw Mendi" - admit it may be for want of laborers - But, (1) what does he know of it? (2) How could it be otherwise, with the help we have - everything, for we, blest after - how must system, & order can be expected. If we can hold together, till help comes, we shall do well -

(6) He get wrong impressions from my writings - but others get right the contrary, & say I have not exaggerated things half enough! What they are happily disappointed - & - And in writing to their friends have said - "for an accurate description of Sierra Leone, see "Thompson in Africa, for my description" - & there they say, they see the life, what is described in my Book. Now why the difference? (1) I heavy talked with others, before coming here, & came with a prejudiced mind. So some of his company told me, & as it proves to be. (2) He has been at Good Hope, with those who seem to think it required of them, to fill the minds of new comers, with right views of things, to start with - & thus they have become more set against Raw Mendi, by those who have not, & will not labor here, & are continually carping against it. You know who I mean. So it was with dear Br Cordt, as Jeff also said, I said to me yesterday. & so it has mainly been with Sheary &c. God forgive them - It is a great grief to us -

Br Jeff agrees with me in this.

(7) He regrets the unhappy differences existing between some of the members of the Mission "the Andersons" — Who told him there were differences, I can't say. I did not — But there is — & he has found it out. And how is it to be helped? George, I confess I know of no hope, but in sending out men who have a heart for the work, & will work. & let, if you have others work, to supply [redacted] in place, & all have the troublers. It is too bad. Too bad — that every company which comes out should fall at once, among those who are not interested, & try to keep others from being interested, & will not try to interest the new comers, so that before they have opportunity to see, & judge for themselves, their minds are soured against, some, Baptist, or Raw Mendi, or something else — Yet, George, thus we are placed. What can be done? If Taft were at Good Hope, all would be well — or any one, who had a whole heart in the work of saving this people — & new comers would become interested at once — Something must be done for the people about Good Hope —

O! there should be 2 good men, at that place, yea 3 — one business man — for there is full enough for one man — & 2 ministers — one to preach at Good Hope & adjacent villages, & one to itinerate. This exceedingly needed. Do send them. (There should be at least 2 ministers at Good Hope, & Cuffee (one of which is good for business) —

If Burton was once settled at Velak, he would work — & he would at Good Hope — but he feels bitter towards Raw Mendi, the Board, the church & me — I am confident without cause — & his influence, & Dr. & Mrs. over new comers, is any thing, but desirable — If there can be men found to man the station, [redacted] others. I should say, the interest of the Mission demanded that they should be called home — Indeed, it is said they talk talk of going home, before long — If we only had any body to fill their place, I should be glad to see them go. I have no difficulty with them. I will not have — But their general influence doesn't help us at all.

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I trust the Lord will give you all needed grace & wisdom —
I know you must be exceedingly tried, & perplexed to know
what to do — but I must let you know our difficulties, that
you may act understandingly — It is painful — but must be done.
Do not think, that we quarrel, here — no — but there is not
confidence, & cordiality — nor can there be, unless God change
the hearts of those & brethren. It is all on one side, with them —
So far as I know — Brooks, Tefft, & myself are ready to work
any where, & any how, with them, or separately —
The reason why Tefft was not appointed at C. H. at
our general meeting, was only to prevent an outburst
from those & brethren — for Burton had said to me, & Samuel
"If Tefft is appointed I will oppose it publicly" —
And we knew from remarks from the Dr, that he wanted to be
there — & therefore arrangements Tefft, with the feelings
existing toward him, & he wisely did not say any thing
about his appt. & the Brooks, Tefft & I, were all
in this course, to prevent strife among us —
Wherever the Dr goes, the natives cannot understand him
He has not any gentlemanly influence on them — And I,
that the Lord would raise up laborers —
If the Independent does not publish my letter, to
Ministers get it published, for the sake of the cause —
Use every possible means to secure laborers, if you
would not have a retrograde march here soon —
My health is good — Jane Winters doing finely, —
I send 3½ sheets of Journal & Wife for your perusal —
I will give particulars of Jane's case at this time —
& things as they are among us —
I would sit at Jesus' feet — pray for me
Your loving Bro. Geo. Thompson

Rev. J. Lowrey
Letter to the Christian Witness
Dr. Whipple, I wrote to Prof. Morgan, extent of Jane's sickness
Please direct him a note, drawn from my account in Phila.
Affirmative, there is a fair prospect of recovery, specially — we feel for the poor little dear
in case

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Tran Mendi May 25th

Dear George – a lastly word – Jane has been very low. Dis yet unable to help herself at all, without fainting. We are hoping, & trusting in Christ, but the issue is yet in the dark – I sent to Good Hope for Dr G. this B.M. & some ap. & spirit – they stay Saturday, Sunday, & did us much more ~~less~~ than good – Jane says the D's talking to her so much, worried her very much – I could hardly hold myself – talk, talk, talk – till when he was gone, she sunk right down, & we despaired of her life, at once – She is more comfortable –

As soon as they were gone, Susan Worley, came to me, & begged me not to send for them anymore – if she should be sick, by no means to call Dr G –

Last night, Jane was rather restless, & Susan pretty much tuckered herself out – today feels unwell – I am alone with them – but look to Christ, –

I send by Bro Sheley a Box of curiosities, of my own – Sheley has an Invoice of it – I want it remarked, to my Father,

Wm Thompson, Jersey, Licking Co. Ohio.

By R.R. to Columbia, Care of

John Rese, Columbia, Licking Co. O.

R.R. via of Cleveland, Newark, & Columbia – You will know best how to direct it –

Not knowing when I can go home, & it being so difficult to preserve things here, I wish them sent to Father, that he may take care of them till I do come home –

Please forward in the best way, so as to secure its delivery –

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Another thing. This morn. a paper, of Rules, &c, got up by those at Lord Hope assembled, was rec'd here, for our signature. We were all deeply disgusted, & sorely hurt by such a paper — Susan almost cried as she talked about it — Soon had to go to bed, in hart from the effects it had on her mind —

Louisa signed it but lated, & despised the Rules but signed because her husbands name was on it — Jane would not be guilty of signing such a thing — I plainly told them, that if those Rules &c were adopted, in Mendi Mission, I should go home, as soon as possible —

I suppose that the paper will be forwarded to you by Br Shuey — He will advocate it — & of course the committee can do as they think best — but let me speak a word — If you wish to break up Raw Mendi Mission, & perhaps, Mendi Mission, adopt those Rules — there will be a greater war here than ever before —

I for one, should leave, without any war — & others would probably follow — And the probability that the Mission would go down, by their not being willing to work, nor let others work.

I consider the Paper, as a whole, ridiculous, unreasonable, highly unchartable, & impracticable.

It seems as if envy at the prosperity of Raw Mendi, was determined to break it down. The Lord forgive them.

If necessary, I can write more fully, & may, at a future time. Can't now. The Lord bless you. Br. Geo Thompson

G. Thompson L. & J. Rules &c are wrongly by the Committee, don't let Aug 2/55 any Wife come to Africa if they are to be so right hard —

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7037
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Mission House, M. M.
Sherbro Island, May 8th 1865.

Rev Geo. W. Pinkerton, Cor. Sec.
of A. M. A. & Brethren &c. &c.

My dear Brother.

It becomes my duty, as secretary of a late meeting of our Mission, to communicate some items of interest just now transpiring here, to communicant since, a full meeting was called by Dr. Cole & Br. Barlow to convene at Good Hope on the 26th of April, agreeable thereto the following persons assembled at the Good Hope Mission House, Dr. J. F. Cole Mr. & Mrs. J. W. Barlow Mr. & Mrs. J. C. Brooks, Miss. M. B. Aldrich, and Dr. D. C. Kumler. Rev. W. J. Shuey, & Br. D. M. Flickinger corresponding.

Dr. Cole in the chair the meeting was opened by prayer by Dr. Kumler. Letters from Bro. Jeffs & Thompson were received, excusing themselves on account of sickness.

After some friendly remarks from Dr Kumler, Bro Shuey and Flickinger the meeting proceeded to business by the reading discussion and adoption of the following Resolves and Rules, viz.

Whereas it is the primary object of the Schools of the Mendi Mission to train up the native youth in view of their becoming examples of piety, ministers and teachers to their fellow countrymen, and, Whereas their great qualification for usefulness, in regard to personal piety, Christian consistency, and stability of character, in the future, depends on their training by example, as well as precept, and

their strict separation from heathen influences around them, also on the commencement of such training at an early age. And, whereas great caution is necessary in the reception of members into the churches, in view of the limitted understanding of the plan of Salvation, by many who profess to believe in Christ. Therefore—

Resolved. By the Missionaries of the Mendi Mission in conference assembled, that we recommend to the Executive Committee of the Amer. Miss. Ass^n. the adoption of the following rules, for the better government of the families, schools, and churches of this Mission.

Rule 1st. That each Mission family shall be conducted as far as practicable on the principle of a well regulated, Christian family in America.

Rule 2d. The number of children in each family shall not exceed twenty five, and shall consist as nearly as possible of an equal number of males and females.

Rule 3d. No child shall be received into the mission families proper, of more than eight years of age, except as hereinafter provided.

Rule 4th. In case of the application for admission of an extraordinary child, such as superior natural ability, and moral promise, the matter and all the circumstances shall be submitted to the decision of the majority of the Missionaries connected with the mission [redacted] actually in the fields of operation, who shall have power to suspend the 2d and 3d rules in such case, if upon careful consideration it is deemed

best to admit such applicant, for the [illegible] of the Mission and good of the cause of God.

Rule 5th. Children of native families wishing to board and reside with their parents, or guardians, may be admitted into the day and Sunday Schools of the Mission, provided, they strictly observe the established rules for the regulations of such Schools. This rule is to be considered no violation of those adopted for the admission of children into the mission families.

Rule 6th. Any child belonging to the mission refusing to abandon any heathen practice or practices, after the proper admonitions and correctives have been administered, shall be expelled from the family, and any child, or parent of such child, refusing to submit to the rules of the family, and to commit the exclusive care and training of such child to the mission by a written agreement, untill twenty one years of age, when they shall be free to act for themselves in all matters on their application for admission, shall be rejected.

Rule 7th. It shall be the duty of each missionary having charge of a mission family, to use strict, proper, and lawful measures, to prevent a mixture of heathenism with christianity, in the practice of those under his charge.

Rule 8th. In every mission family such domestic arrangements shall be made, as are practicable to inculcate the ties, affections, and purity of the family relation.

Rule 9th. When a person expresses a desire to be-

come a member of a Church, such individual shall be nominally received, on probation for six months, and shall be known only as a candidate for Church membership. During such probation the candidate shall be carefully instructed in the doctrine, spirit and requirements of the Gospel of Christ, and be expected to practice them so far as understood. At the end of such probation the candidate may be examined as to his proficiency in religious knowledge and experience; and if prepared to give satisfactory Bible evidence of conversion, a genuine intelligent faith in Christ, and reasonable knowledge of the plan of salvation as revealed in the New Testament. Such candidate may be received into full membership in the Church of Christ and enjoy all the privileges of Christian society.

Rule 10th. In the final examination and reception of persons into the Churches of the Mission, the Missionary in charge shall call to his aid two or three of his missionary brethren from neighboring stations to share with him and the Church the responsibilities of this duty.

Resolved, That the preceding Rules for the better regulation of our Schools and Mission families have immediate effect at Good Hope and Mosfappan stations, and all new stations hereafter formed, and that we recommend our Executive Committee to appoint a committee of missionaries on the ground, or from companies hereafter to enter this field, to examine into the condition of Kaw Mendi School and report the same with a view with a plan for its improvement, believing that if some changes which might easily be made, it would become, and

only an ornament to our Mission, but one of the best Schools on the West Coast of Africa and at the same time lessen considerably its expense.

Resolved, That a Copy of these Resolves & Rules be presented immediately, to all the members of our Mission now in Africa requesting them to subscribe to them, if consistent with their views, before they are sent to our Exec. Comy. which it is desirable to do by the hands of our Brethren Shuey and Ramler, when they return to America.

The passing of these Resolves & Rules took up at the time, the strength of Br. Burton & myself, both of us being quite ill, would allow to be given to such labor. Wednesday the 1st of May, the last day of our Meeting Br. Teppt was with us and approved of the spirit and design of the Rules & Resolves but objected strongly to some expressions contained in them, regarding them as unnecessary or impracticable but said he would freely and heartily work under them. After reflecting for some time, he waived his objections and signed the Resolves & Rules as requested in the last Resolve.

It will be well here to remark that these Resolves and Rules are not intended to at all interfere with the common School plan, as proposed in a communication some months since from Mr Tappan, and now in successful operation there and at Mr Colony and Manna, while we would prune one to a healthy capacity; we would grow soon for the other to grow and strengthen till it shall fill the country.

After these resolutions were disposed of the following was entertained for further consideration, and ordered to be placed on the records of this meeting, and circulated to the absent members of the Mission, to be taken up and acted upon at our next meeting, viz.

By the experience of the past we are admonished of the increased danger to which we are exposed, of the unhappy effect of the climate on the temper, of receiving and harbouring, unpleasant personal feelings toward each other, tending greatly to disturb the peace, and prosperity of our Mission, we therefore, under a solemn sense of our duties, obligations, and responsibilities, as representatives of of the meek and lowly Jesus, and advocates of the Gospel of peace & good will to men. Resolved to make the peace and unity of our Mission, love and harmony between individual members of it, a special subject of prayer at our family altars, and private devotions, and that we will, and do here solemnly before God, who we trust hath chosen us, his messengers to the heathen, and in the presence of each other, do promise, to settle at the earliest possible date, all personal differences that do, or may exist, between ourselves & any other members of the Mission, and from this time forward never call it up, to in conversation, to make an unpleasant impression, or as an excuse for our improper acts. And will do all in our power as individuals, and as a missionary company to preserve a feeling of love and unity toward each other, hoping & praying always that God of his goodness and mercy, will help us so to do, to the praise of his name.

Some appropriate remarks were offered on the foregoing by Bro. Shuey, Jeffs, Kumler & Brooks. It is hoped that by the blessing of God it will become an Olive Branch to our poor stripe sent mission. It does appear more and more evident that to the peculiar irritating effect of the climate the most of our differences and the bitterness of all our varances are to be directly traced and yet it is hard to see it so by those under its peculiar effects. Indeed no one can account for some of the singular pictures of some of these trials of patience but on this ground and at the same time admit of the christianity of the parties of the acclimatic quarrel. All possible allowance is to be made for individuals acclimating for any and all inconsistances of conduct and expression of feeling.

After the Rules & Resolves were sent to New Mendi they received the following signatures. T. G. Cole J. S. Brooks. S. T. Brooks. J. W. Burton E. D. Burton M. B. Aldrich. J. C. Jeffs. E. R. Jeffs.

Br. Thompson objected to all and declared his intention to at once abandon the mission on account of them. It is hoped that his objections lay in a misunderstanding of them and that after they shall be kindly and fully explained he will look upon them with more lenity. Some of our number will soon wait on him to perform this desirable duty.

Signed in behalf of the meeting.

John S. Brooks.

Secretary.

May 7. Chas. is down with fever. hope for a kind acclimation

I am ill. threatened with a fever. Dose of the Sol. and Quin. Stamp.

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Rev. J. S. Breckinridge
Mar. 7/55
Introducing Mr. Wm. Jackson

For the American Missionary.

Kaw Mendi, May 4/55.

Death of Jane Winters. Incidents connected therewith.

She taken sick [illegible] days - at midnight last night, I was called to her room, (having to hobble on crutches, on account of a very painful sore on my knee) & she was, evidently, dying - unconscious - unable to speak - hands & feet becoming cold in death. I prayed, commending her to Jesus, & brought to that her death might be blessed to us all, in Africa, & America. Though it was very unexpected, (for we had supposed that the wound under which she labored was better than any of the company - so little do we know of God's plans) yet we felt to say "Not our will, but Thine, O! God, be done". We carried out, & called in Old Father Johnson (our Interpreter) & wife - our Teacher, & wife - our large boys & girls, & some others, to see her take her flight. While she was poising her soul, for her departure, we all sang the beautiful hymn "All is well". It was a solemn time. Then Old Father J. led in an affecting prayer. Soon she exclaimed, & just as the flame went out, "While I gazed - with speed surprising, Down the vale, she plunged from sight. Gazing still, I saw her rising, Like an angel clothed in light. O! she's gone to the kingdom - with the Father to pray for us.

She had many things to say for us, that could be done. Her time was so exceedingly short, administering the Remedy (water) left desire, she left us in Mendi, to do what she could, to send word, esp. that the Mission, cared for her children. Her care of her children was exceedingly great. Her last words were, "Take care of my children, & write home to my friends, esp. Mr. Winters, & tell them I am happy in Jesus."

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Thought it was thus. The middle of the night, the house was soon filled with Town people, who came to sympathise, & help, & there was much weeping. They all felt that they had lost a friend who loved them & wished to do them good. Strong men, came & gazed, sighed, & dropped a tear — for they had had experience of her love to them. She had frequently been through the Town from house to house, to every one, beseeching them to give their hearts to God. She attended upon them in sickness, & her little kindnesses won their esteem, & confidence. She was beloved by all. When she was dead, some of the girls wept aloud.

She was washed, & laid out, by native women — And as soon as it was light, nearly all the Town came in to see her, & condole with us.

Though here, but a short time, her "labor has not been in vain". Seed has been sown, impressions have been made which will last, & fruit will hereafter appear — "Their works do follow them".

She died meek in a little time — as if conscious that she would have but a short time to do it.

From her naturally strong constitution — her previous hardy mode of life, & especially from her practice of Hydropathy, we had hoped, she would long live to labor for this people. But "The Lord seeth not as man seeth". "His ways are just — His counsels wise".

She was ripe for Heaven. Some fruit ripe first. Her benevolence was too great, for a long life here —

* She has helped to say, "The privilege of doing good, & the enjoying it, is too great for mere words to express. We shall not be supposed to enjoy it long. But it is too good. Which of us will be first, we know not. But very probable it will be myself. I may not be permitted, to see the remarks of my sister. Thus the remarks of a friend of her's, will somewhat aid in filling up the vacancy.

For some of the things which contributed to hasten her death, see my Article in Oberlin Evangelist, respecting her death (Bro Whipple, will Anti-Slavery well to copy, all on a sheet) —

How will friends in America be affected by this Providence of God? Will any be so unbelieving as to say, "Well its no use. Whites cannot live there". The sacrifice of precious life is too great" for

Hold! Do you never expect to die in America? Have none died, since Miss Winters left New York? — And has not God a right to send us where He pleases? And to call us home, when He sees best? Be careful, lest you be found to fight even against God.

There is no doubt that God called her to this field & no one can deny that He took her to another field. Then what do we, when we find fault & try to discourage others from following where Christ Master leads? Brother, or Sister, I say be careful.

"Shall not the Judge of all the Earth do right?" And is it not true that "By His saints it stands confessed that what He does, is ever best"? Then lift up your head, & say "Father, glorify Thy name".

We greatly need many more Laborers. We expect that some will die, we can't tell which — let all be ready. Then we can work long & hard, as Jesus pleases. But some will tire, & by keeping the supplies coming the work will be accomplished, & souls be saved.

"The harvest is plenteous", but laborers are few. "Whom shall I send, & Who will go? Here am I, send me". Brother & Sister what are you doing for your Saviour, the redemption of a world? —

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The funeral. We waited till 3 o'clock, hoping the hearse from Good Hope might arrive - but coming not, we were obliged to proceed. The coffin was laid upon the table, & a large crowd assembled, to take their last look, & hear words of warning. I could not stand, but sitting, reflected on what God had done for them, in sending so many Missionaries to teach them the way of life. While Eternity, & the Judgment, & the meeting of their departed Missionaries were held before them, many wept.

After the exercises, we took our last look of her on earth. Her happy countenance was as smiling as that of innocence itself.

The coffin was taken below, & placed in the hall, on chairs, around which a crowd of old & young assembled - & as they gazed upon the cold form, & remembered her life of love, many sighed, & sobbed freely.

The sight melted our hearts, & we had to weep with them, as we gazed upon the scene.

Surely it would have melted the most inveterate enemy's heart.

And viewing the affecting scene, who could say "She came to Africa, in vain"?

Her place is vacant. We are lonely. Who will fill the void?

Neither the sisters, nor myself, could go to the grave. She was carefully deposited in her resting place, by Natives who loved her dearly.

Geo. Thompson

Mary Ann Thompson

The Lord help us to be ready, for death to us may not be found doing our duty.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Kowloon May 5/77

Dear George. Last night, the Dr Brooks, & his Assistant came up, but we had buried Jane, as they did not come till about 8 o'clock —

They return today —

We retain a part of Jane's Books, & some clothes, valued by Brooks & Cole at $18,76.

If you think proper you could send the amount to Morgan & Oberlin, to give to her friends, or do with as he sees best. —

We gave Jane a set of Barnes' Notes, valued at $7.50 I suppose he will not wish to take back the gift

Or if you think it improper to pay for them, do as you think best —

G. Thompson, May 5/55

Louisa, & Susan have packed up her clothes, which are worth sending home, & some of her choice Books - such as her friends might value - in one of her trunks - which we send by Shery - for you to forward to John Morgan, Oberlin, for him to deliver to her friends. I have written to him about it.

Please direct your & send.

I have a sore knee, which obliges me to use crutches - & the Dr says, if I am not very careful, I shall lose my knee -

The Lord do seemeth him good.

All pretty well -

Your Bro

Geo Thompson

Write to J. Morgan

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7041
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Perrysville Ind. May 7th 1855

Rev. George Whipple
Cor. Sec. A.M.A.

Dear Sir— Four weeks ago I received the last communication from you requesting some more references, from those persons who were intimately acquainted with me in this village. I immediately procured several, and the letters were mailed on that evening. I have since had good reason to believe that they were retained at this office; I therefore write to enquire if you have received them. Our postmaster, like the present administration, is proverbially dishonest, and there being so many letters passing to and from an anti-Slavery body, he must necessarily know what agitation is on hand. This with other reasons lead me to write and ask you to direct my letters hereafter to Eugene Vermillion Co. Ind. I can get them from there with out much inconvenience.

I am more and more impressed with the duty of consecrating myself and all my interests to the cause of missions, and I long to be engaged in my Masters vineyard. Were I possessor of wealth your earnest appeals through the "Missionary" would soon meet with a hearty response, but I can only say that my heart is willing, but the purse is weak.

Should the committee see proper to give us an

appointment, I will endeavor to collect the greater part of the funds necessary for my outfitt, and other expenses.

I have learned through the "Independent" that the Ex. Com. are making arrangements to supply that call from the Marquesan Islands. May God grant you success; I envy Bro. Seymor such a promising field, not that I would go in his stead, but it only strengthens my purposes and encourages me to expect a part in so glorious an undertaking he shall have my prayers for his success.

If you have written to me lately, I have not received your letters. Rev. Mr. Buffett wrote to you some three weeks since. My refferences were from some of the prominent members of the M. E. Church, in this place.

Awaiting your decission

I am Your servant in Christ

David J. Lee

David J. Lee
Pennsville Ohio
May 7. 1855

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Mendi Mission. Good Hope Station
Sherbro 1st May 7th 1858.

Rev. Geo. Whipple. C. S. A. M. A.
48 Beekman Street N.Y.

Rev. & Dear Sir. An opportunity presenting by which we can send to America. We endeavor to improve it as far as we can. The brethren Shuey and Kumler leave us today for Freetown, on their way home to America leaving Mr Fleitinger to acclimate and be ready to labor as may be needed - He accompanies us as far as Freetown. Where we expect he will find Miss More, and send her back by the Canoe - and will remain or come as he shall see best when the time arrives. The brethren have seen some but not as much as could be wished. and I may say, some things we could wish were not: and perhaps would answer questions if you were to ask.

The Mission, and the Friends of humanity, and of Africa have been called again to mourn. the loss one who was fitted by nature to do very much good, and by grace to be a faithful and unassuming laborer in the vineyard of God - Miss Jane Winters is fallen in the beginning of her labors. - I dare not speak as I feel on the immediate cause of her death. It was not a fever of acclimation but of imprudence, & exposure, & then reduced to extreme weakness, depended on water and a most debilitating atmosphere, to enable nature to rally, when all her vital forces were expended before, and had nothing to rally on, - refusing to take all remedies that could tone up, & stimulate and sustain, till nature could have time to ~~to~~ rest, & begin as it were, again. I wish not again to see such willful destruction as this, because of a promise to Friends. When they are more

ignorant of the course of nature, here, there than, perhaps equally as informed, who are on the ground, and nearly as well qualified therefor to judge of what is wanted by individuals, as lobby riders, who may never deem fit to extend their practical philanthropy so far from home.

We feel such things here, and can well realize their effects on a misinformed, and over expectant American mind.

We do trust in God and hope; but not without some obedience to the laws of Nature's God, as well as the Christian's; for Nature's God has never yet proclaimed a redeemer, who can save from the penalty of her disobeyed & broken laws, therefore for every sin there must be a sacrifice - and can the cause Christ be so much below Nature as not to look so high as obedience to her commands. I had even that the reverse, & that they never lost sight of each other - - You will forgive what I have written -

We need for the supply of the General store of the Mission 1 or 2 reams of note paper, 8va Candle wick, for lamp trimming and such like things - 3va Spanish Float Indigo. 1 doz: bbls of good cement for making Cisterns in Fentown, or covering roofs, Floors &c &c - the price of Cement is so great, that the difference of expense is more than ballanced! 1 Chain cable for the Canoe - 15 fathoms long, or 90 feet, if 100 feet no matter, - 1 bbl Graham crackers, 2 bbls pilot bread, a quantity of Soda crackers. The Graham & Soda crackers could be sent in tin trunks which can be sold readily. We have a good supply of cans for present use - all such kinds of bread can be sold so there is no danger of spoiling, provided we can have fresh supplies for our own use -

Br Thompson says he has ordered school books for for Kaw mendi; and has given me the following list of books concerning the propriety of sending which, you can be the judges. We confess to some misgivings on the subject of

giving heathen mythology to heathen children. or those just merging from its darkness. to study as a daily text book and for one should prefer to have substantial, scientific, and enlightening subjects of Phylosophy. or Mathematics. or Natural Phylosophy - or Chemistry for them to study - The list is as follows - for Kan Mendi;

1/2 Doz Greek Lessons. Do. Greek. Readers.; Do Latin Grammars. Do Greek Grammars, Latin Readers, Each 1/2 dozen - 1 Latin & English Lexicon. 1 Greek & English Lexicon -

Also 1 Doz Rollo code of Morals, by Abott. 1 Doz Phylosophy for youth, 1 Doz My first book; 1 Do Girls Reading Books, by Mrs Sigourney, 1 Do Ladies Reader, by Mrs Hemans, Miss Aldrich wishes 1/2 dozen pr Side. hair combs. for ladies wear - 1 Copy each Young Night Thts & Pollocks course of time her own have been taken by, she knows not who -

I am in to much hast to look for further wants this time. Will send again by the first opportunity -

Mrs Brooks is now undergoing her acclimating fever. She is very low, so also Br Thompson by gettings about the Kan's -,

Can you supply us with about 80 yds of soft. fine. most - Ed. or Flannel Goods. blue Mixed - or light colored - not white entirely - or possibly fine soft. light colored Tweeds might do - or very light & Light Colr Cassimeres. All Woolens should be light & soft. not thick & heavy - these are individual wants -

We wish for immediate answers to subjects contained in some letters -

I remain Sincerely yours &c

J. G. Cook

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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May 7

N.B. Please inform the Messrs of A. M. & C. that I to-day send to Mr Eppelin the a Draft calling for the remaining one hundred pounds Stg. on the Letter of Credit, from Brown Shipley & Co

T. G. Cole

Dft T. G. Cole
May 7. 1855.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Kaw Mendi May 10/11

Dear Bro Whipple, accompanying, I send a small manuscript, & letter, to the American T. Society. "~~We Need Jesus~~" — a Brief history of the life of Jesus Xt. — for Children" — &c

You can read it, & the letter, if you like, before giving to them, that you may better understand what to do — If they publish, the verses, see that it is with my Preface, & Conclusion — thereby our Mission will be brought to the knowledge of those who read — If they publish, it as it is, please purchase of them 200 copies, & send me, to begin with, for the children, & to sell, in Freetown. Though they speak against me in Sierra Leone, my Books sell well there.

Should they not conclude to publish the verses, please offer the manuscript to the American S. S. Union, & send me the same, as above, if they publish —

If it smells too much of Africa for them, ask the Cincinnatti Society, if they will publish it.

If not, & no other Publisher will take it, (try them) — you may publish it, at my expense, & advertise, in Missionary, or Evangelist, Tribune, &c —

I think a small neat volume, rather coarse print, made therefrom would do good, interest children — & should I come home, I should sell thousands of them —

Health good — knee getting better, Jeff's well, at last accounts — & Brooks, & wife sick — Much love to all, Your Bro Geo Thompson

May 21/55 Dear George. The Lord is yet working gloriously, in our midst — Last Sabbath was a most blessed one — glorious display of divine power. At last evening! What a season! How God came down! I preached from Rev 22:17 The Spirit & the Bride say Come — I had a shout "Glory to God!" as one after another received filled to overflowing joy. Peace in believing. Pray for us most — Give God the praise

Bro Stickinger went to Town with Mr Shuey, writes me, he thinks he shall remain there, at present. So you see all the help we have had from the 3. Brethren should he remain in Town, I fear his mind will be warped, & prejudiced as was Burton's, & Officers. O, what a curse to have new-comers, stop in Town

Miss More, has been, & just returned from Town says Mr T Brown had been employed by the Ch Missionary Soc — but had been turned away, & is now keeping a boarding house for Sea Captains!! —

Mr Edney, the Superintendent of the Wesleyans, told Hannah many things that Burton & Officer used to talk against the Mission, while in Town — that the Mission was doing nothing — nothing there to do, & he & he says they have this, spoiled the name of Mundy Missn in Town, more than any other person ever has done. God forgive them — Officer soon, prejudiced Shuey's mind, before he came to New York — He also wrote to Bro Parker of Oberlin, & prevented him from coming here — Jane Winters, & Rev Morgan saw the letter — God forgive him — (Confidence) Brethren from G. H. inform me that Mrs Burton is trying her best, to work on Daniel's feelings, to get him to go home — says she has not half the Missionary spirit she had, when she first came to Africa. Pray for her. I try to daily. & may the Lord direct, & send Labourers

Our health here, good, very — Dear Nancy is a good Missionary. This does my heart good. Mother, May the Lord spare — to labour

Do write to Rev Morgan & family — their long letter & Jane, is read — & as we cannot write to them, we have, will answer it — the next mail, if possible.

Letters to Mr Ellis, Rev Morgan & forward any letters to Mr Ellis, Rev Morgan

G. Thompson. Prey 10/55

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7044
FISK UNIV.

Dayton O. May 11th/55

Mr. G. Whipple

Dear Sir

We have been very much interested in the communication concerning the Marquesan Mission, and are quite anxious to do something for it.

1st Will you inform me, at your earliest convenience, whether your Board will be likely to establish the mission

2nd If you shall not be able at this time to do so, could we cooperate with you, furnishing half the means, and if need be a laborer?

3rd If your Board should do nothing would it be practicable for us to send out Mr. Mills and a missionary?

We could furnish the money, provided that the Lord open the way. We do not wish to interrupt any arrangements of your Board, in which we have more confidence than we have in ourselves, but the Marquesan Mission, it seems to us, must be established.

If we are likely to be called upon, by a clear indication of providence, to do any thing in this work, I would visit the city (New York) in a few days

Yours for the spread of Religion

John E. Bright

Secy. United Brethren Board

J. C. Bright
Sec. U. B. Board.
Dayton O. May 11/55.

ARCHIVES
WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT

Dayton May 11 1855

Mr. Whipple

Dear Sir

We have been very much interested in the communication concerning the Marquesan Mission, and are quite anxious to do something for it.

1st Will you inform me, at your earliest convenience, whether your Board will be likely to establish the Mission.

2nd If you should be able at this to establish the Mission, could we cooperate with you, furnishing half the means, and if need be a laborer?

3rd If your Board should do nothing, would it be practicable for us to undertake the Mission?

If God opens the way we could furnish the means, I suppose, We do not wish to interrupt any arrangements of your Board, in which we have perfect confidence, but the Marquesan Miss. it seems to us, must not fail.

If you think we are likely to be called upon by a clear indication of providence to do anything in this work, please tell me frankly, and I will visit your City and see further.

Yours for Christ Kingdom

John C. Bright

Sec United Brethren in Christ

Board of Directors.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7045
FISK UNIV.

Mr. Whipple Dear Sir,

The above is a copy of a letter sent you at even date, and have as yet received no reply. You would oblige me if you would reply immediately.

J. C. Bright

Westerville O
June 7/55

My address is, Westerville Franklin Co, Ohio.

Rev. J. C. Bright
Dayton O.
Recd June 11/55.
Ans June 7/55.

Bro. Lafferson. The letter referred to was here when in your hands, and returned by post.
W.W.

Write the Bible Clerk in New York & tell him your name & P.O. address & he will send you a Bible free.

This letter was returned to me, or found in my files Nov. 14/55

Harwich Port Mass May 12/53

Hannah Howes writes about papers &c

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7046
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Harwich Port Mass. May 16. 1888.

Rev. Henry Sieber
New York, N. Y.

Dear Bro. in Christ:

I think I could not have written what I meant in respect to the paper. I would like to have two copies sent to my address for six months, unless I find my work changed. I received the April number as requested, but as the May number has not come, I conclude, that I was understood to wish for only that number.

Please send the paper to Rev. Chas. W. Dunning M. G. B. Institute. Concord N. H.

Also the "Report of the second Bible Convention and the address of the Com. of the A. M. A."

Perhaps I have not got the title to the document right. You sent me one last year, but it is lost. I mean the Report which sets forth the object and principle of the A. M. A. He would like to know about your plans and principles are.

Please send the paper to Capt. Wright Long of this place. He is a life member of the Auxiliary and carried out some of your missionaries to Africa.

I know that you will rejoice when I tell you that the Spirit has set before me in this place an open door of usefulness. I never so realized that the Spirit led me as in coming here. And ever since I have been here I have felt that the Spirit had work for me to do. And it is such a privilege, to work for the Spirit to pray for the out pouring of the Spirit, and to point inquirers to the "Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world." Dear B. Whipple I thank him for the advice he gave me. When I asked him what preparation I should make for the work of laboring with the heathen he told me that I had better go to some field and labor to win souls to Christ. Truly this is a blessed work of preparation. And I am so happy in it.

During the past week the Lord has been wonderfully blessing this place. The work began among the older girls of my school. It seemed to commence without human instrumentality. But the pastor of this people is a man of silent earnest prayer. And the Lord is

blessing his labors. Particulars would not interest you, but I believe that God has a rich harvest of souls to gather in here, and my prayer is that those who are the Lord's may give themselves wholly to the work. My prayer is for wisdom, light, and guidance, that I may in all things, glorify God, and I trust that I have it. Now that I may always know what the will of the Lord is. My love to Mrs. Belden and to the children. May the Lord bless you, and give success to your labors, and give you a rich harvest of souls.

Yours.

Hannah Howes.

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A.M.A. ARCHIVES
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Good Hope, Mission House, M.M.
Sherbro Island W.A. May 17. 1855

Rev. Geo. Whipple, Cor. Sec.
A.M.A. 48 Beekman St. N.Y.

My dear Brother.

Joy and gratitude fill my heart while I hasten to inform you further of Susans acclimation, that she has safely passed the first and most trying period with more than ordinary comfort. She has been confined to her room nine days, has made a free use of water, taken a single dose of calomel, a few diaphoretic powders, a little Sweet Spirits of niter & Bus. Ac, with a few doses of Quinine.

So far as we can now judge we could not ask for anything more mild and kind in the shape of African fever. She seems now cheerful and hopeful & is recovering strength as fast as can be expected. One great advantage in Susans case is that she has been careful. She has not exposed herself unnecessarily to fatigue, or the climate, besides she has been careful and temperate in all things.

Sister Winters case was very different, while she took those precautionary steps so necessary and efficient to the use of water air & food she erred strangely

J. S. Brooks
Received May 17th 1855

disregarding the experience, advice, and warnings of her associates, yielding without reserve to the intoxicating influence of the climate, deceiving herself by supposing that the exciting influence of the climate was the full glow of health and flow of natural spirits. Poor girl. She had not been alone in her fatal delusion. Too many have gone down to the grave while they have supposed that they were never more healthy and better able to endure, than they were but a few hours before their death. A few things are suggested by these bitter lessons of unnecessary mortality. 1st Pledge your missionaries to regard and yield to the judgment of their seniors as to what they are able to do physically and mentally. The exercise of the mind is as destructive as that of the body. 2d Let no one come pledged to carry out the pathy of any school. 'Tis wicked to pledge the life to any man or a body of men however wise & good. I believe in the use of water, but will not agree to bathe or give medicines I have tested and know to be good. I am no M.D. but I am something of a Dr & have had a little experience here. I sees none who feel that they have no responsability in the matter of health. That this all belongs to God. God will not suspend his fixed laws to meet the ignorance or whim of any one however honest they may be. Talk

to them & understand them, and let them understand you. Let them know before, that the climate is exciting that they will feel stronger, happier, more free & elastic than in America. The saying, I never felt better in my life, will fall from their lips a score of times, as it has from ours, when the subtle influences of disease are at work in the blood, and on the nervous system sowing the seeds of death. The fact that we never felt better should be, as it really is, a sound of alarm. It should set us on our watch, warn us to be careful. My dear Brother you cannot say too much to our candidates for this mission, on the subject of health, & their responsibilities to preserve it. Our poor mission suffers now from the carelessness and neglect of our dearest associates. Reform must be used ~~effectually~~ (over)

I will here say of Sister Pinto's case, that, in my opinion, that the immediate cause of her death, was excessive flooding occasioned by an emetic, she having her menses at the time it was administered. She was some to be blamed for not telling her situation. The loss of blood in the fever is the loss of life. I dread it more than any other misfortune. Would she have taken Quinine it might have saved her, but, doubtful. Had she lost no blood, she would, I think, be well and with us today. This is but my opinion, which is not worth much.

perfection can be expected in no one, nor is it reason-able to expect any one to believe as we do, or act as we would under any set of circumstances, but some approximation to reason may be looked for in all. This in the matter of the prevention of disease, and restoration of health is desirable, especially where the loss of health, or life is attended with such injury to the cause of our Lord.

With care, the climate is not to be dreaded more than the climate of the lower Mississippi; the African fever is among the mildest of malarial fevers, although the continuous heat, tending to relax and debilitate the system, renders it necessary to husband the strength we have, in order to meet the shock the fever may give us. Could we call to our aid a bracing atmosphere, to repair the waste and invigorate the system, it would not be so necessary to provide against the effects of fever.

That we may learn wisdom from past experience, be careful of our healths, and that God may bless us in the use of the preventive and curative means we may make use of to secure health, so that we may long live to labor for the poor heathen around us may we ever pray.

My own health is improved, shall go to Mo Gappan soon. Br. Jeffs is to come to Kaw Mundi next week, to remain with his wife till after her confinement.

Written in haste. Your Missionary John Barnes

P.S. I forgot to write in spring. All well at this place

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Mendi Miss. Good Hope Station - 22 May. 1855

Rev. Geo. Whipple
Cor. Sect. A. M. A.
48. Beekman St. N.Y.

Very Dear Sir. business calling me to Freetown. tomorrow. providence allowing. I hope to meet Br. Haney & Kumler. before they depart for America. and put in their hands a box of Specimens of Goods used by us. & of which we have to buy a large quantity of English traders at very long prices for poor articles. but such as the market can afford. We think the same articles. of better quality can be obtained of Manufacturers. of Cotton goods in U.S. at a much cheaper rate. or even at the same rate if better. and thus save Moneys. & Credit also among the people. giving an article they can desire. and are glad to exchange their labor & produce for it -

In addition to other orders. & to urge them on. we send for the following - 4 doz. Bottles of Chinese Bitters (Thompson & Burtons request) (. Hibbards) 2 No. Best Pale Turkey. or Russia Rhubarb - in bottles 6 doz Russet Brogans of Sizes from 6. to 9. (No others wanted now Forget not the order for Black. Brogans. as before sent. 4 Large Bolts of Demmins. 50 pieces Print. of fast Colors. and fancy tastes - good width - and cost not over 8 cts pr yd. in New York - Such or none. is the word to me - Drills. Blue & White or Bleached - 8 gross Common Agate Shirt buttons also 12 gr Pant buttons. Tin ware of all descriptions called for here in our bills - Any quantity you please, especially Basins and small pans. & cups - also Pails -

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2 Sizes –

✓ 1 doz Stew pans, tinned inside, – Tinned Iron Kettles ½ doz each.
like those sent before
" 6 doz Grubbing Hoes. ✓ doz Small Hoes for Small boys, Strong Spades
✓ ½ doz Gun Nipples. ~~Ax Caps~~ – (to mend Guns to catch birds &c)

Also of Books as follows – ¼ doz Cook books (not Hydropathy)

✓ 6 doz Alphabetic cards. (4 by 6 in. or thereabouts)
✓ " " Bentley's Pictorial Primer.
✓ " " Webster's Elementary Spelling Book
✓ 4 " Towers Introduction to Gradual Reader
✓ 8 " " ——— " "
✓ 3 " " Intermediate ——— "
✓ 1 " " North American 2d Class B "
✓ ½ " " " 1st " "
✓ 2 " Miss Swift's 1st Book in Physiology. (Natural)
✓ 3 " " " 2d " " " "
✓ ½ " Parkers Natural Physiology
✓ 1 " Mrs. Jane Taylors Physiology
✓ ½ " Cutler's Anatomy, physiology & Hygeine
✓ ½ " Browns Grammar (English)
✓ 3 " Davies 1st Lessons in Arithmetic
✓ 1 " Colburns " " " "
✓ ½ " Adams New Arithmetic
✓ ½ " Mitchels – Geography & Atlas
✓ ½ " Silliman's Chemistry for Schools –

Also
✓ ½ doz Britannia Tea Pots – Sugar Bowls & creamers
can be had – ✓ 2 Salt Spoons for Miss Moir.

The following is a list of the articles. contents of the box of Specimens I send you. 1 Pc. Indigo Blue Bafts $2.22, 1 Pc Satin Stripe $1.68, 1 Double Red Wool Cap, 20 cts. 1 Double Red Worsted Cap, 20 cts 1 Cotton Hdkf. Print-at, 10 cts 1 Strip Blue Manchester Bafts, 63 cts - 5 Strips of Satin Stripes. as Specimens of Stamp. &c. 1 Strip White Bafts - 1 Strip Unbleached Cotton all, 10 - 2 Plain Shirts. $1,86. - Amt at wholesale cost $6.41 —

Specimens of Goods used most in this Market (by traders) to buy provisions & pay Expenses — We are obliged to use or not get our Supplies - Our White Cotton Sold at same rate as these Supplant the English where ever used - I add 2. Country Clothes. $1.50. 1 County Shirt. (wrought) .60 cts — to be sent to My Br R. B Cole Prattsburgh. Steuben county N.Y. you will please send them direct by Express. or send to him for directions to send - I also write to him -

In the above List of things wanted I make no calculations for Supply of Books for New Mendi. - Br Thompson said he had made his order for what he wanted. but told me not what he had ordered. or where they were to be sent. or how cost - thus perplexing my plans. & over riding our rules for doing business. to same confusion - Right I suppose of the Chiefs - But such acts do put our general calculations all out of joint.

Br Thompson was much displeased that I sent his order for a Side Saddle. & a Riding Bridle to America. and I suppose I ought to recall it. So I do; And you can do as you like about sending them. None can be had Else - except from England -

I have given Br Thompson such information as may cause him to pause. but is in the dark. yet.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES NO. FISK UNIV.

We expect to make a draft on the last Letter of Credit sent to J. C. Tuttle or J. S. Brooks - of date of March 19th 1835 - when in town as the moneys due our Mechanics will very soon be called. - if a draft is given in season will save per-ctge on such payments -

I had intended to make statement the condition Gen. Store and Books of Acct - when they came to my hands, but Br Benton has relieved me in part. I shall say but few words; Probably Mr Officer gave you a statement of the found things - and the efforts he made to arrange them. A large amount of Moneys were in Kaw Mendi belonging to Mendi Mission - but for some season were not removed to Gen. Store deposit - or ever charged to Kaw Mendi Station, and much still remains. but it cant be got at without causing jealousy & feelings - as before - when Officer tried, & failed - therefore No true correct account can be made of Goods taken from Mendi Mission for use of Kaw Mendi Station, and No reports have been to the financial department, or Cor. Secy. of the Mission from there yet - therefore the reports given of expenses of Kaw Mend. Station are only of goods taken from the deposit, having no relation to things on hand - or used -

For the convenience of the Financial Sect. or Cor. Secy. of the Mission I would suggest that all bills for the Gen. Store deposit be so separated from all bills given to individuals, as out fit. or delivered in N York to any one connected with the Mission, or to be to connected, that the one only may come under the direction of your agent here - or have any place on his books as Gen Mission Property - there there would be no confusion. These last come in shape that it is impossible to valuation from them without calling on every one, and much has never been seen here unless in different shape from when put in bill, & much more is private Property & has been so from

before leaving New York. I regard them as having no relation to our books, but to be charged on your own books as so much to Mission as out fit, &c. &c. -- Whatever comes to individuals here, then pass through the hands & care of the Gen. deposit, should be billed to Mend'a Mission, and enter the books as so much rec'd and disbursed by it. in the Mission. to the several Stations, Individuals go where they are needed & change place of residence when acclimated. or during the time; More spending time perhaps at one Station than at another because of acclimation. after which they can be appointed to such place as may need them, and it would be exceedingly unfair to charge so unequal portion of Moneys to one Station. When they will perhaps, probably, be mostly used at another. afterwards - The Gen. Store has no acct. Expend. of Exp. & Expenditure, - a percentage being put on all goods received from abroad, in order to give a true cost value to articles used - with itself; - All profits if any are given to the Stations disposing of the goods -

One peculiarity of the present is, articles of cost - and bulk are sent without any bill bill of Valuation. I know not what Manifest was made at Frontown, or if any -.

Stove, Bell - Oil Cloth carpets. all have no bill of Price or value, We suppose they cost. and charge what we suppose - as near as may be to value - a part. Br Jeff - remembers - which has helped. That it will be possible to get an inventory of goods at all the stations at the close of the present quarter is quite doubtful; we wish it might be so - No correct Statement can be made of goods in Gen Store, and of acct's with Stations. compared with bills rec'd, or Goods rec'd. - There are

boxes of goods or furniture here for Mr Lefft. Bills charged to the A. M. A.. Paid by Mr Belden - These are unentered on our books for they are claimed as private property. bo't by his own money. there as out fit - There was also crockery. (outfit) sometimes on bill back - Why will they send so. if so owned? We have nothing to do with them, rightly. if private, and if private why not marked as such. & not sent as Gen. Miss'y - property - If care were taken it might save many hits made feelings and probably, some words. There are there still of the Missionaries - and sometimes - liable to have a small streak of - Nature. as most men, even here, So experience has been teaching me - These things can be prevented mostly if proper pains are taken in the right place -

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. [redacted]
FISK UNIV.

(at Sea) - 25th May -

I have been requested to suggest to your consideration, a subject on which my mind has been long pondering. It is whether or not it would meet your approbation, or be good to send a few good boys to America for the purpose of learning trades, as blacksmith Carpenter or Joiner, or Shoemaker, or printer. etc, There are so few good mechanics here, that, to get the boys under instructions in such things, we have some times with Yankee eyes, and calculations, to do the teaching, and criticise the Master workmen to show his defects, and make him and the apprentice both improve. but with all this we can't get good original calculating Mechanics at any time except rice beating, and eating - beause we can't be at hand always, nor take the time. If a good blacksmith, Mason, carpenter & joiner, &c belonged to the Mission that could bear heat & weather it would be a great good -

I have taken liberty to write very plainly. If indiscreetly, please pardon. Let us hear concerning this matter as soon as possible. Most truly yours. Y. G. Cole

Lewis Tappan Esq.

Manya Station
Kaw Mendi Mission
May 28th 1855

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7030
FISK UNIV.

Dear Sir,

You will find that my letter is dated at Manya; it is a new station where I and my wife are laboring, it is about fourteen miles from Kaw Mendi, we have removed from Kaw Mendi four months since; the Lord has been with us, and has bless our labors here among the heathen. We do not expect to live here long, we will remove to a neighbouring town, and there we expect to build and have a station; for Manya is fenced all round and it is quite an unhealthy place. We have three towns besides villages under our care; and on Sabbath days I have to go and preach to the people; they love to hear God's word. In your last letter to Wm Green, you asked me to write to you; I love to write to you, but I have written about four letters to you, but I have not received answer. Wm Green send her kind love to you and Wm T. and she thank you very much for the molasses pickles you sent her, she might write to you but she is sick — she long to receive a letter from Wm Whipple. Pray for us that God may subdue the heathen. Give my kind love to Wm T. and Wm Whipple and accept the same from

Your unworthy brother in Christ
Edward. Henry. Green

Edward Harry Green

Africa

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A. M. A. ARCH.
NO. A-7251
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Freetown. Sierra Leone
June 2d 1835

L. Lappan Esq.

Dear Sir, I take this opportunity to write, by the hand of Mr Shuey, to you, that you may be informed that the Letter of Credit sent to J. C. Stevens & J. Brooks, on Brown, Shipley & Co. is in receipt, and that we have put the same into the hands of Mr J. Eggleston, our agent, of this place with draft to draw the same. Signed by J. Brooks who happened to be at Good Hope taking care of his wife who has just passed through her first acclimating fever very auspiciously — In letter to Rev J. Whipple I have made some remarks that perhaps should have been made to you as coming more under your particular sphere in the Society transactions.

I am most unpleasantly detained here, because that good to trust the word of a West African trader. I think the canoe will be our mode of conveyance in future tho not so comfortable in the stormy rains, or safe, either, for the placing much confidence in these worshipers of Mammon.

All were quite comfortable in the Mission last week.

Yours &c. Rev. F. Gleole

Rec'd. I have given an order the Treasurer of the Am. Mfg. Co. of Nine dollars for bread and corn meal for use of Menuel's Mission — H.G.

A. M. A.

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Chas. Bunce Esq.

Treas. A. M. A.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F-7062
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Freetown June 2nd 1855

Dear Brethren of the Executive Committee of the A. M. As.

Please regard my name on the certificat sent you by Br Thompson the same as though it were not there.

All right between myself & Br Thompson. but I am a little sorry I subscribed my name to his paper. To the best of my knowledge all was at that time as he states. but I knew little about matters then, and hesitated some in doing what I did. I dont know much yet. but hope I shall become well acquainted with the true state of things. I wish to be free to express my views if it should ever be necessary. therefore scratch my name,

All right between myself and all your Missionaries here, & my prayer is we shall get along happily during our connection.

Sorry that they cant get along more agreeably among themselves, and I have some reason to believe they will adjust their difficulties soon

Many thanks to you & them for your kindness to us.

The Lord direct us all to his praise for his name's sake

Much love to you all

D. K. Flickinger

Rev D. K. Flickinger
at June 2/88

Good Hope, Mission House, Mendi Mission
Sherbro Island, West Africa, 4 June 1855

A.M.A. ARCHIVES
NO. H-1253
FISK UNIV.

Rev. Geo. Whipple
Cor. Sec. of A. M. A. &c.

My dear Brother,

I start for Boom Falls today. Br. Jeff. came from McCaffran last week getting a good report of all but himself, he being quite sick. We are well here. Mrs. Brooks is quite as well as before her fever, though not quite as strong. She expects to join me in a few week in our special field at Boom Falls. At Kaw Mendi all are well but Br. Jeff. Sister Wooley has had a slight attack of fever, but is now quite comfortable. My leg is bad but I can get about yet.

Last week I went to Wela with Br. Burton to aid him in his negotiations for that place. But the Chiefs not yet understanding our rules of punctuality were not convened so we could do nothing but by delaying three or four days, choosing to learn them a lesson we left them that were there nearly as poor as we found them, scarcely observing ordinary civilities and Br Burton set next Tuesday for a conference with them. I think the Chiefs will be on hand then.

You will remember when I was in America I had some conversation with you on the subject of your Missionaries being put on an allowance or have a stated salary. I then stated that such were the difficulties about expenditures and talk of extravagancy that I could not come back without a stated allowance

Some things of recent date, have brought apress to my mind the desirableness of such an arrangement. Men are human, and human nature, under the most favorable circumstances is full of error. But let facts speak for themselves and while I call facts in question, I would injure no one, nor would I accuse my brethren of anything more than we should expect from the best & most conscientious set of men, under the same circumstances, to be found in the world. Opinions, conflict judgment conflicts, because men see things differently. One seeing the heathen indolent, sickly and unmoral, because his wants are few, believes the best way to do, is to introduce new wants, and enlarge their sensations, till they will be obliged to work, or be miserable. Another is struck by their cupidity, dishonesty, envy and destitution of moral feeling, & believes that the introduction of too many new things, will excite their acquisitiveness, sensitiveness, and destructiveness, which are now large, so that they will become thieves, robbers, or something as bad. We see that life is precious, and health precarious, to preserve both, become a duty. One seeks to do so by securing accomodations to save labor, another by securing furnaces & furnishings in and out of doors, to make home pleasant, another regards a well furnished table necessary to health. One wants meat, another bread, another fruits, and another medicine, neither agreeing in all things. One believes, the Children of our families should live as we live, another as honesty believes, this would be a damage to the children, and a great expence to the mission. One think the children to be educated must have all the comforts of civilized life, good homes - good beds - good clothes - good schools, and good assortment of labor, while another believes we should attend to the School-House cultivate the intellect, and soul, so far as religion is concerned, while we care less for taste, the social, or physical man.

ly and, one of our number believes that, we should manufacture our own tables, chairs, bedsteads, sofas, or settees, bureaus & stands, doors, sash, &c &c. to set examples. Show that these they can be made here, while another feels that life is too precious, to be spent in repeating over, & of such labor, and we ought to buy such thing with the least tax of labor transferred. The climate is so destructive to almost all articles in use, in or out of doors, that one feels that we should have the best of every things, and believes that this would be the cheapest. another believes that we should get the most common, so that the natives wishing to follow our example, can easily do so. One feels that hunting is useful and advantageous to health, another believes guns, & ammunition a great & useless expence, and hunting an unprofitable use, or waste of time. One believes a wagon, horse, & saddle essential to health, another thinks them useless, a waste of money, and that a walk is better than a ride. Now, my dear Brother, these are not imaginary, or exaggerated differences, but they are facts which do exist, and the list might be extended to pages beyond this, but I have enough to meet the case I would make of them.

What can we expect to meet, among a company of gentlemen with such a diversity of opinion, and living from a common fund, unlimited in their privilege of drawing and consuming? again ask what? but the cry, ever, and anon, of extravagance. What do the facts show, here in our company? 1st. One purchases an oilcloth floor cloth, one says it is useless, a show, a waste of money. One orders a side saddle, the idea is scouted by another as extravagant. One comes out with a bureau, a lounge, or a good set of chairs, they are the subject of severe remark by others, one orders a Barometer, another says it should not be purchased, that it is useless,

One orders a dinner set, another declares that plates of one kind cups of another, in a word odds and ends, are as good and much cheaper. One gets a silk umbrella, because he regards silk a better non-conductor of heat than cotton, another ridicules this idea, and declares cotton to be better, cheaper, and more durable. One orders a set of drawing pencils and desires the best. To be sure another says of extravagance, the cheapest will do for all necessary purposes. Provisions, dresses, pants, coats, shoes, hats, napkins, knives & forks, spoons, medicines, & Books, come under the same head, and take their turn in presenting subjects for critical remark. Unpleasant, unhappy remark.

Will you censure us? Do you say we are unreasonable, ungenerous, unchristian? If so stop a moment, and suppose a moment that you practice at home, what you require of others abroad. Suppose at New York, at 48 Beekman Street, there lived Bro Whipple, Tappan, Jocelyn, & Belden with their wives; out of one common fund, which they could not call a farthing of it their own, with no salary, or stated allowance, with a right to call for such things as they wished, without further instruction than to live in peace and harmony, and have the unquestionable assurance that they should be supplied, how long would these good Brothers live as instructed? One month? A year? If you are in doubt, or confident of success, try it before you judge us. Try it a while Brother and you will pity us. Try it an hour, in imagination only, and I am confident you will not blame us severely, for our grievous dissatisfactions. Try it thus, and you will not long lay on us burdens you cannot bear, yourselves

The question now arises, How can these things, so trying to us, and you be avoided? Different individuals, may give different answers to this, but I presume to give my opinion. How do you and your associates avoid them? The answer is easy, Avoid the circumstances. You have your allowance, and each lives as he chooses, eats & drinks what he regards best for himself and family, clothes himself as his taste, or circumstances allow, you preach & your houses as you are inclined, and no one finds fault with you, live you better than we, that you live in peace and harmony? Rather are we worse, than when we lived in America and meddled not with our brothers business? In us, Place us in circumstances like your own, then you will judge. But you inquire again, What can you live on? What will it cost to support a family? What to sustain a School? Well I will try to answer in part. Some of your Missionaries are willing to undertake to live, on $60.00 a year and find both 2 children for $80.00 each a year provided the committee provide house, defray transportation of goods & necessary traveling expences on business of the mission and sustain a female, or other teacher, for the School. This $1.125, shall cover all expences of mission and School family, aside from expences of teacher. What say you, my Brother, is this too hard? Can you sustain your station for less dollars? This does not include outfit or passage to and from America. We should be allowed passage to America once in three years, and by order of our Medical advisers.

I have spoken thus far without the knowledge of my Brethren,

but I propose soon to learn their views and lay them before you, for I most earnestly desire the peace and prosperity of our mission, which depends much on something being done to change our relations to the General Board, to each other, and the grounds we live upon. I believe it to be impossible to preserve peace and secure prosperity under our present circumstances. You must entertain the idea of a change and allow me to say you, not to put it off much longer. Your missionaries have had the promise of such a change from the time of Jeffrey Arnold's sailing from New York, and they have been anxiously watching your movements, hoping to see some advances on your part. The subject is one of so great delicacy to be brought up and pressed on you by selfdenying missionaries. You are at liberty and may be expected to lay the introduction but in this letter, my selfishness for I know I am so selfish that I chose to live on that I can call my own, and according to my judgment, than on that which is equally the property of many and according to the many fancies of many minds.

With regard and esteem,

I remain dear Brother,

Your unworthy missionary,

John Brown

My dear wife joins me in christian affection & esteem, for you and family.

J. S. Brown
Jefferson Tx 1/15
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A. M. A. ARCHIVE
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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7053
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Perryville Ind. June 8th 1855

Rev. George Whipple
Cor. Sec. A. M. A.
New York

Dear Sir — Your last letter came duly to hand, containing the appointment to Haw-Nendi. It was read with pleasure and thanksgiving to God for having thus opened a door of usefullness to us, in that calling for which we have had such unutterable longings. Trials and disappointments await us, but these with all the comforts of our native land, we desire to count but loss, so that we may ~~but~~ win souls to the fold of Christ, and spend our lives to glorify so kind a Redeemer.

We are well pleased with our appointment to Haw-Nendi, it is a field worthy of missionary toil, and we trust we can harmoniously cooperate with our fellow-laborers — we certainly can — if our object be — to set a good example to the flock — Missionary ground is the battle field betwen the army of the Prince of darkness and Prince Immanuel; our weapons are not carnal, nor our various ambitions of place and honors, only desiring to serve the Captain of our Salvation in all lowliness of heart; we are to bear each others burdens instead of increasing them by disagreement and bickerings; how necessary to feel continually the sentiment of the Poet — and pray that our Master would —

"Make us of one heart and mind,
Courteous, pitiful, and kind;
Each to each unite endear,
Come and spread thy banner here."

We are glad too to have so noble a colaborer and superintendant as Bro. Thompson. We suppose our duties will be assigned us by the proper authorities, and we will gladly perform any part that may be allotted us, or be ready to cooperate in any good word or work, that circumstances may present, or our judgment dictate should be done.

I will have my affairs arranged and my "house set in order" by the 4th of July, after which time Mrs. Lee desires to visit her relatives and friends in Norfolk Va., and there complete her preparation for the voyage. I shall also want to visit my friends in Maryland and York Pa., but will hold myself in readiness to perform what ever your committee may have for me to do.

I think I can collect a large portion of our outfit, if you send me the authority to act for the association, or whatever you deem proper for such a purpose. When ever the appointed time comes for us to sail we will be ready.

I have been solicited to join the presbyterian church in this place, by Rev. Mr. Buffett, but I cannot conscientiously do so, as long as they fellowship with slavery and pro-slavery members. I have hitherto evaded his solicitations. I would be glad of a suggestion from you on this point.

Rev. D. G. Lee to Transmitted June 25

I suppose our baggage when we leave here could be shipped to New York and consigned to your care at the missionary rooms.

I do not wish to impose an increase of correspondence upon you during your present arduous labors, and will cheerfully await your convenience for a reply. Direct as usual to Eugene Vermillion Co. Ind.

Yours Truely

David J. Lee

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Freetown Colony Sierra Leone. W.A.
12th June 1833 - 3. P.M.

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Rev. Geo. Whipple Co. S. A. M. A.
48 Beekman Street New York City U.S.A.

Dear Sir. I am again obliged to trouble you with a line.
I have been detained here two weeks much against my wishes. this not probably against the wishes of an overruling providence. or it would be as it is. and therefore is best. tho' I know not yet why.
I have way now. to go, in, one or two days, and shall hope to see how they all are at the Mission, soon, - Letters from Br Brooks & Burton arrived yesterday. saying Br Tefft had returned from Mosappan. to Kaw Mendi. and had been quite sick. also that Miss Woolsey had been sick with a fever (acclimating) not severe. and was now about again. Tefft was better, and about
All the rest were well so far as I could infer from letters -
Please inform Mr Tappan that I have given a draft for (£40. 0. 0.) forty pounds Stg. to a Mr Jolly (W.B) of Freetown in payment for a bale of Manchester Boots drafts signed by J. Cotton Tefft - (a blank given me by him.) ~~and~~ on Letter of Credit No 393. the last one sent. the remainder is deposited with Mr J. Ezzuis our agit in Freetown. (£250. 0. 0.) in form of draft. signed by J. S. Brooks. these were all the blanks in my possession
They seemed willing to take them - Mr. I compels to a query if each could draw on the same letter of credit. as it was given to - or -. and not to either. I hope there may be no difficulty in the case - I subjoin a short list of wants for Mendi Mission sent me by the same arrival and first in order is that of

Br Thompson's. as follows = "Wants!" —
"Inasmuch as there is "no Mission family at Kaw Mendi" please write to Br Whipple and the committee. & order one forthwith before all things here go to pieces, there being no head, and no one to look after them —". You may know what it means, and can fill it, or meet the wants as they are thus made known. We confess our ignorance, and don't know what to say to it —
I add, also, for the use of Mosappan & Good Hope 4 doz. New Testaments, and 1 doz Bibles for School use; 1 doz. Bibles, clear print, for family use. & 1 Doz. copies of New Testament, Large Print —
1 copy Manifolds or Duplicating Letter writer for Brooks, large size
1 Pr Ladies Black Gaiters. 2 Pr Ladies. thin Morocco Buskins
2 Pr Ladies Kid Buskin walking Shoes. all of them size 5½, for Brooks. — 1 Suit of India Rubber Clothes. viz. Poncho, coat & leggins cap. and boots, for J. B. Elliott. Such as would fit yourself for size — the boots to be such as will go over a No 8. slipper or light shoe — say about No 9 or 10 — I shall endeavor to send a duplicate copy of our acct in Fretown to date from 1st April last — or there abouts — A Lady of Fretown has requested me to order for her, 1 doz. each, Tea & Table Spoons, "Elec Plated", — send if you think best.
15th — I send you the duplicate in company with this, in same envelope, — also a package of letters from Mr. Mr. sent since I came to town, to be sent by said vessel. There are two letters here from Mr. Mr. for the mail, via England. Can you not send some one very soon who can take care of Good Hope Stat^n as Br. Burton & wife will scarce be satisfied till they get to Wala. or else return to Cary
You know my mind, without further words. It is 4 months since I was to receive a long letter by next mail, & see none yet. 4 are past; maybe it will be in the next. I shall try to start tomorrow morning for Sherbro; the weather is bad. I fear for the journey, but must try.
I remain your Obt Servt, &c
T. G. Cole

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Mendi Mission Jan 14th

Bro, Whipple

Dear Sir

Having a few moments I improve them in writing you relative to the letter Dr, G, sent home, of Bro, J, s

I have felt badly about it ever scince Bro, Burton was up here and told me about it Bro, J read the letter to us before he sent it and either I made to much allowance for Bro, J's manner, I right (as Father of the Mission) to give needed reproofs in his own way, or was to much tried by the circumstances to realize it was unchristian as I am told it sounded, If I acted unwisely

in not speaking to Bro, J, to express
it may God & His people forgive,
While Miss Moore was in town
all the care of the girls was given to
Sister Jane, I had the teaching &
care of Mrs, J,s room. In one week Jane was
taken sick, And Bro, J, came down
with his soreknee from which he
suffered exceedingly, This left me
alone with Mrs, J, without knowing
where or how anything was, The natives
too beset us, as they said they thought
"No laws lived at the Mission when
Miss Moore was gone" We sent for Dr,
C, expecting he would help us,
He came spent the Sabbath, Bro,
Jeffet also came home from the Borm
sick the same week, Dr, said Jane had
only taken cold it was not her acclim
tion & thought with good care she would
be up in a few days, And yet as Line

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we tried to have her take calomel
to which we of course did not accede as
she "had only cold" & we had promised her
again, & again, we would be faithful to
her in the water treatment, The Dr.
went back to G. H, tho the expected
he would stay here,
The next time he came, the next day was, after
Jane was dead & buried & then in
some conversation with Mrs, Jeffs
and I he blamed us for not sending
for him, & said during our visit "There was
no Mission family here &c,"
Which Mrs, Jeffs mentioned to
Bro, Thompson not meaning, or even
thinking the least harm, We also spoke
of the neglect in our orders & at the same
time Bro, J, wrote the letter
No harm was meant, I have thot
& prayed much about it scince I
found harm might result from

Miss Susan Worsley

June 14, 1855

at I came to the conclusion it was my duty to write about it requesting you never to mention this, or its contents to Bro. Y, or Dr,

When I first commenced to you I thought I would not say one word, to any one in the Mission about it But, Miss Moore has been such a good Mother to me I think I will close with much love to you all and go and read it to her,

In, Much haste

P.S. Miss Moore will write you a short note she says,

P.S. 2d My own health has been very good with the exception of one slight attack of fever, How good our God is! I often think of what Mrs Palmer said to me "On burning heat by day
Or blasts of evening air
Can take my health away
If God be with me there"

John Ezzidio
June 15/55.
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St. George's Cathedral.

John Ezzidio. General Merchant.
378. George's St. City of Freetown.
Sierra Leone. June 15th 1855

Rev George Whipple

My Dear Sir,

Please if you can make it convenient to send me the following articles which I require for my own use. (when you are going to send goods for Mendi Mission) as follows 2 Barrels Flour in half Barrel Packages one Bl

corn

Corn Meal in half Barrel Pkgs
and 3 doz Bottles Lemon Syrup
1 doz in a case. And the
same time beg you to pardon
me for the liberty I have taken
I request Doctor Cole to do me
this favour but he advised
me to do it myself in his
enclosure.

I remain
Your Obt & humble Servt

J. W. Woodall

J. C. Tefft
New Orleans
June 21/55,

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New Orleans June 21st 1855

Rev Geo W Whipple Corsy
481 Berkman St N.Y.

I know not but that you may think me a poor correspondent, in writing so much more infrequently than formerly. I am now an unofficial. Dr Cole will conduct the general correspondence. And Mr Brooks writes so faithfully relative to all our matters at McTyeire that there does not seem much occasion for me to trouble you.

But this morning I feel that I must give you a few lines to let you know our whereabouts. I take a note sheet for this is as much as I shall be able to fill

before lying down.

I have enjoyed but little good health since my arrival out this time. About the 20th of April I had an attack of what appeared much like dysentery which ran me down very low. & before I was really able I was obliged to go to Mr Jaspan to look after matters there while bro Brooks was with his wife during her acclimation at Good Hope. After being up there for about 3 weeks I was prostrated by Intermittent fever. This did not last me very long but left me in a very singular condition. It is nearly 4 weeks since my fever left me. Yet I have not been able to sit up more than a ¼ or ½ of any day. When this will end I know not.

I do not seem to gain strength but very little. I feel to leave it all with the Lord assured that if he sees it best he will raise me again to health & vigor. If I continue as I have thus far for any length of time. I shall feel that the Lord calls me to leave Africa. Yet I dont like to think of such an alternative. Mrs Cliff enjoys very good health thus far since our return. Remember me to bros. Jocelin, Jaspan & Belden. I should like to write to each if I had my usual health.

Remember wife & me to Mr Whipple & family

Your brother & Missionary

J Cotton Cliff

P.S. I expect to remain here until Sept. or Oct. I came down after my fever.

J.C.C.

Boom Falls Station, Mendi Mission,
Mo Zappan, 22 June, 1858

Rev. Geo. Whipple, Cor. Sec.
of A.M.A. 8 Beekman St. N.Y.

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Rec'd Aug. 29/58
Reply'd to
Oct 10

My dear Brother—

The closing days of June, reminding me of my duty to you as Cor. Sec. of our Association, I did hope in the early part of the Quarter, that you would be favored with a report from my esteemed associate, Br. Jeffries. But by reason of ill health, he has been compelled to remove to Raw Mendi. The subjects to be noticed in this report, will be taken up without respect to their connection with each other, but as they press themselves upon my mind.

1st. Then, the Ward - Some few circumstances press this subject upon my mind, this evening, more than the real danger I apprehend, of war just now. 1st. The rumors. It is reported that a few days since, a several people were caught by a party of Tyongo warriors, from a Bonmpey farm, a few miles distant. 2d. Nyangba-woorori (Little Leopard cat) the rulling Chief of Lootoo, sent his carni (emblem of truth & authority) to the Chief of Bonmpey, saying, that Momi do Tyongo had at his command, a large body of hired warriors, and that his intention was war with Bonmpey for the present year, commencing in two, or three days on Mo Togi and Mo Zappan. Their object here is plunder. 3d. Several people have recently been at Mo Togi lately who were, when it was too late, suspected to be, from Tyongo. Three have been caught and I hear proved to be really spies. The people of the towns and villages about, are retiring from this immediate vicinity through fear. The fighting men stay, to meet the enemy.

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The thought of sitting up, my dear wife, to participate in the trials of a life among this warlike people. The fact is as evident as that this people are heathen, that we shall be bitterly tried by war, before many years roll around. The same state of things, in most respects, now exist, which have existed, and desolated this country, time, and again, untill there are no traditions of former generations, whose series of idolatry are found scattered over the earth. And what is more, and no less true this state of things must continue, untill the Gospel has done its work for this people, there is no other salvation for this country, but by the means of continued missionary effort. These truths are no less true and dear to my heart, than when they led me to determine to risk all upon them, and open this station, while the death notes of the war horn, and the report of arms fell heavy on my ear, and in the distance was seen the curling smoke of the sacked and burning village. I cling to them still as the hope of Africa, and I believe God will sustain efforts entered into, and continued under this conviction, though the civil arm of other powers withold their protection, for the theory which makes the Sword serve the Gospel, and the Devil serve Christ I have no fellowship for. John in preparing the way of the Lord, in making crooked ways straight, and rough ways smooth used no carnal weapons. Such means of grace better fit the Romish Church of the Sixteenth century, than Evangelical Missions of the Nineteenth. But my dear Brother it is hard to think of having a partner in the trials by war anticipated, I have faith for my self, that ~~and for my wife~~ I could

to meet the worst that barbarity could inflict, with comparative courage and resignation; but how could I see it fall upon her. ~~I know my dear wife, the more thought manifest, to view what may be in the far distant, fills me with emotions I have hitherto been a stranger to. For the first time I regret that I did not choose an easier field, one of less danger and trial. I tremble lest in the reality of war, I should abandon, too easily, the station and allow it to be sacked & destroyed, when, if I had been under different circumstances, I should stand by, and save much damage.~~ How these fears bestead my faith in the purposes of God to save Africa, and in his appointed instrumentalities to effect her salvation. – One good it does work however. It drives me; it drives me to God in prayer. I seem at times, to cling to his fatherly heart, pleading for protection and supporting grace. Let our peculiar situation move you and all interested in us, to pray earnestly for Gods protection and that we may have grace and wisdom for the severest trials, the Lord may choose to bring upon us.

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I remarked the [illegible] of immediate danger, [illegible] the! [illegible] my mind. As I have mentioned the circumstances, I will briefly state what I think of our danger. During the rainy season I do not much expect war yet it may break out at any moment. Such is the condition of this country, that I should not be surprised if waked any night with the cry of war! It is to be looked for, & expected, at all seasons of the year, untill religion chases the demons revenge and jealousy from the hearts of this people, so that they may no longer be the slaves of these tyrant passions. In the commencement of the dry season [illegible] may look for war somewhere,

Tyconys having succeeded so well last year in their efforts interior, will be more sanguine in their hopes of success, in the River district this year. During the last year she has added some important Chiefs to her alliance, so that she is better prepared for expeditions abroad. The out break on the Bargroo and Gallinas rivers, will naturally settle between the parties bordering on the districts which are in treaty with the English to keep the peace. The chiefs in treaty, might in a great measure prevent these wars, if they would, but they have personal ends to meet, and use bordering tribes to effect them. In this way, the quarrel between Hareba Caulker and Harbokor, will be continued under the name of Boompey and Tyengo, or Boompey & Lizzy Boroo (Little Lizzy), so that the prime instigators, though in treaty, go clear of punishment by pretending to have no hand in the matter. So the cards have been worked, and so they will be again.

Many amoo has been busy for the last 5 months, at some dark business with warlike Chiefs. I judge by his movements he is arousing Boompey and Lodboo East, to join in a hard struggle against Tyengo as soon as the Dry Season opens. It matters but [illegible] which party commences the carnage, we shall meet [illegible]

But from our experience in the wars of this country, may we not expect Gods protection. His grace and mercy, it has defended us heretofore, and will he not do so again, if we trust him. It would be an easy matter to defend ourselves, with our castle house, a few strong hearted men could defend themselves against any warring party. But how much wiser and easier to trust God and keep the conscience clear. May the Lord help us,

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The slave trade is still followed up by the Soso's. No material check has been put to it. Mr. Hanson the British Consular Agent, has labored with untiring zeal, and patience, to influence the proper authorities to undertake its suppression. Had Mr. Hanson been sustained, by his associate officers of the Crown on the coast, the Soso slave trade would have been even now, numbered with the things past. The bold step he took about a year ago, in capturing a few slave canoes, struck a heavy blow to the traffic. It was so keenly felt, that some of the factories having slaves, began to exchange them for cloths, & products of the soil. Others put them out to work farms here, and others having money out for slaves, ordered their payment in rice, oil, & cloths. Such was the effect of a single mans efforts. And a pity, a shame it was, that he was alone. The interests of certain commercial houses in the Colony, were about to be disturbed; so a howl cry of "bloody murder", "non officiousness", "distruction of lawful trade", "war with Soso" "Starvation in the Colony" &c, &c, was raised along the coast and echoed through English periodicals. But this was not enough; the same houses used certain Chiefs, as tools to work their own ends. Filled their heads with war, set them to plunder factories, suspend trade with the Colony, and even to ask from the Government the head of our esteemed friend the Consul, as the price of their friendship. This confusion so disturbed Mr. Hansons movements, and being alone, the cause soon lost what it had gained. Mr. Hanson though he has received the commendation, and thanks of the home Government, is under instructions not to expose his person to injury, in his efforts to suppress the trade in slaves. For months he has urged the necessity of a man of war, to cruise between the Bananas and Sherbro Islands. I understand that within a short

time, his wishes, have been respected, and now there is a steamer stationed at the mouth of the Sherboro river.

The slave factories at Sambwea and Gonya are fast filling up with slaves. There is not so much excitement among the people as last year, yet the slaves are not wanted to take the place of blood. I was grieved and shocked a few days since, to learn that one of my workmen, had just crossed the river to be sold as a slave. He was a fine built, noble looking young man, a stranger in the country. The day before, he came to me with a palaver against one of his fellows, and was as free and cheerful as a heathen could be. Mangamoo had sent his minister to Mr Goji for tobacco, and cloth, to aid him in his war movements. The family were short of means, and too indolent to labor, prevailed, on the Chief's wives, to beguile him to her bed. In the morning he was accused, tried, & condemned, and in an hour more, was sold for forty bags of tobacco, worth no more than ~~$100 or 90 [illegible]~~ ~~[illegible] not an uncommon occurrence here. For many~~ this people seem prepared to do any thing but labor honestly. While this slave trade continues, there will be no lack of causes for outrage and war. While it exists, habits of industry will not gain ground, the cultivation of the soil will be regarded a tedious way of getting a living. Honest trade, by small quantities, will be wearisome to the aspiring native. He had much rather set a snare for the weak, catch, and sell him for thirty or forty bars at once. Sambwea seems almost a Sodom. The clank of chains mingle with the drum & song every night. No town about here is so much given to mirth, and more so, under a heavier load of sighs and groans from the stranger and captive as she. Would you see excess in grief, or joy, you can find it at Sambwea, ~~but if you~~ ~~on display, and poverty, go to Sumbrea. Tyranny and servitude are there.~~

Partly on account of business, and calls to aid Br. Burton in securing Bela, partly on account of our buildings not being tenantable; but chiefly on account of sickness. This station has been left too much of the time, without the care and labor of a missionary, during the last six months. ~~It is surprising and distressing, to see how easy things take a backward motion.~~ The teachers at Mo-Gwari and Mo-Jappan, both left last month, on visits to town. This has made it necessary to give up the schools at Mo-Gwari and Mo-Bongo, for the present, and prevented our carrying into effect our plan, of opening a school at Sumbres. ~~The school at Mo-Jappan, for the two months last past, has been in the care of W. B. Tucker.~~ Owing to reports of war, and the absence of the missionary, some of the children of this station, have been drawn away by their parents, and are now absent. I do not fail to use means to collect them around me, untill Mrs. Brooks joins me in the labors of the station, when we hope to do more for them than we have done.

I will here say of the out schools, that the experiment thus far, has been successful, all, and more than it promised our sanguine hopes, has been realized, and my confidence in such efforts is greatly increased. They are to the station, what reflectors are to a light, multiplying its influence greatly. Planted around the principle station, they are miniature missions, and keep alive the light of truth, in the face of the heathen. I feel confident in recommending that such schools be multiplied greatly.

Our meetings have been irregularly maintained. Our hopes were bright, that we could keep up meetings at the places where they had been opened. We now, in review, weep over our disappointment. Most truly men are mortal! Zeal too often fails by fast driving! So it has

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with us. When Br. Jeffs joined me, we reviewed our fields together, and laid our plans. Scarcely had we fairly got into the work, when Br. Jeffs began to fail. In a few days more, I was on my bed. Dear Brother our field is too large for us! We may toil to the utmost of our strength, and yet there is work undone at our door. I am not obliged to confine my labors to Mr Tuffano alone, conscious that I am equal to no more. On account of which I am distressed, by messages from Mr Gbwari, informing me, that the school children are idle, waiting for school, and asking when the teacher will come back? or if I have forgotten them? Again Mr Gbongo people, frequently ask, "Why dont you come over to keep Sunday any more? When will you commence the school again? the Children are becoming impatient. Tisana, Mr Fogi, and Sambwea join in huue, charging me with forgetting them, not loving them, or stifling my feelings in some other way.

I feel it hard to live so, hard to see children out of school, that long to go. People without the gospel, who would hear it. It is hard to be invited by the heathen, to come and preach to them, and not able to do so. It is hard to be accused of disregard for a people, because do not, and cannot preach to them. What shall be done? Brother, shall we tug and toil on, and get hardened to the Macedonian cry? or, shall we stop our ears, and refuse to feel for those, we cannot serve? or shall we continue to hear, till our hearts and zeal side down the body, and it find a rest in the grave.

O that Christians could feel or comprehend the may entitle of the heathen harvest. I do not suppose this is a riper field than a thousand others, within as many miles on every side of us. The fields are ripe, and ready to harvest. If the Church will not reap, Satan will. What is not saved in the Lords garner, must perish

Such is the pressing necessity of the Boom fields for more laborers that I have invited Br. Flickinger to occupy Mobwavi or Mobongo instead of Mokelly. And I am prepared to urge strongly the change. It seems to me a matter of first importance that a station should be sustained at Mobwavi. The way is open. Most of the preliminary steps have been taken we have a claim to a site there and the people are willing — some are anxious to have us establish ourselves there. If the Brethren should act through you I see no reason why they could not with propriety take one of our promising out stations for the present and convert it into an independent station. Br Flickinger will soon visit the Boom to examine our out stations with a view to change his contemplated field.

I will here give you a statement of the expenses of our station during the last quarter.

Mo Tappan School	£ 5 " 1 " 0
Mobongo School	1 " 3 " 0
Mobwavi School	2 " 10 " 6
Farm	8 " 11 " 2
Family	21 " 9 " 6½
Buildings	97 " 10 " 7
Transportation	10 " 13 " 3
Mo Tappan	3 " 19 " 11
J. Smith Brooks	3 " 18 " 10
J. C. Tefft	2 " 12 " 1½
Total	156 " 10 " 11

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The Buildings & Family swell our expenses this quarter much more than they will be for the next three months though the house

is far from being complete. During the next three we hope to finish it as far as we now intend.

Mrs. Brooks is so anxious to join me at the station that we have partially furnished three room and intend to take her to Indianapolis next week. Her health is now fully established. She seems as well or even better than before she had her fever. I have never seen one rally from the fever so well. It is due her to say, after what I have written of my own feelings about her going to Boom Falls, that she has the strongest confidence in God's faithfulness to his promises and fears no evil though war may desolate the country. She believes that God will either make a way of escape, or defend us. This is a great relief to my mind. It kindles my confidence in God's good purposes, and with a lighter heart I can mingle in scenes of confusion and threatening danger.

We are expecting soon to have our teachers back from the Colony, so we can resume our schools. Mr. Pitt & Wife who have been at Kaw Mendi are to be removed to Boom Falls next week.

Mrs. Brooks & myself spent a pleasant Sabbath at Kaw Mendi on the 1st of July. Seven were added to the church and sacrament administered. of which I will hereafter write more fully.

Allow me to remain.

My dear Brother, Affectionately

Your brother & Missionary

John A. Brooks.

For B. F. Station.

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Kaw Mondi June 22/81

Dear George Whipple

I must improve the opportunity to send you a few lines - I send 3½ sheets to Martha, containing the particulars of interest at this place, from day to day. I wish you to read, take what you like, & forward. From my Journal this, you will get more of an inside view of us, every day, than any letter would give - & I have not time to copy the same incidents, for you - If you can't copy, you can easily mark, & get some one to copy for you -

I can give no advice about my Wife's coming - I leave it for her, & you, to decide what is best, & I will help by prayer - I believe she will be guided aright. Should she come, do help her, about the boy, & find a good place for him, at Oberlin, if possible - I care for him, as a father -

My health is excellent - plenty of work - Fleischer has not yet returned from Tour, & we get no word - hope to hear soon - Read Miss Morley's sheet to Martha - & Louisa's, & same - they will give some ideas not in mine -

Seven are now prepared, under instruction, for admission to the Church 1st Sabbath in July - Others waiting - O! for Laborers, to call kindly for them, & send as soon as possible - for the prospect, is that our number will again be reduced, before long -

The wheel barrows, & carts, we brought out, 2½ years ago, were made of most miserable timber, as they are apt to make them of, in such establishments - It is to repair them, we, when they often break, costs us, much time, & money - I propose, request, & order, that 3 or 4 good wheel barrow wheels (& axle, with iron bolts in the end) with the needful irons be sent, & we can make the woodwork much better than they do in N.Y. - of timber that will last. We now, much need, 2 or 3 wheel barrows, & a cart or two - send first chance.

Plenty of Rain now — Our house leaks — leaks — leaks — very badly, making it damp, & unhealthy — I tar it — patch it — "try, try again"! & again, & can't stop it — When I get one place stopped, it breaks out in some new place ——— Pity it is so —

Have my boy's house, nearly plastered — The Rooms are fine — Now building a pier, down to wharf, so that we can get in & out Canoes & boats, at full tide or low, without getting in the water a mud — & being tipped by the natives — ——

Bro Jeff has been here a few weeks, sick — weak & no strength — is gaining slowly, I believe — All the rest well — Brooks has a running sore, on his leg — otherwise well, I believe — E H Green & my Teacher at Manya, report interesting meetings, & the outpouring of the Spirit. —

Said in last, that some people had been caught for witch palaver — the king said he would give them Sassy water to drink — if proved guilty should burn them I shall write, & warn the king, to be careful what he does — lest he may be kept from so awful a crime

But he is a Heathen, & burning is the penalty for being convicted of witch palaver ——

The Lord give you all need wisdom, grace & help — Must close for all

Yours in Christ

Geo Thompson

Rev Geo Thompson
Received June 28/55

Miss H. Howes
Warwick Port
June 22/55.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7081
FISK UNIV.

Warwick Port Mass. June 21. 1855

Rev. Geo. Whipple.
New York c.y.

Dear Brother:

Yours of June 11th was duly received. I have thought of your proposal, that I should go to Jamaica before going to Africa, and I have nothing to say. I am not acquainted with the operations of that mission, and it is not now convenient for me to consult those who are; it was with some hope that I might that I delayed to answer this.

I feel unworthy to receive an appointment from your Board, but yet let me express to you my heartfelt thanks for this permission to labor with your company, though least of all.

For myself I would choose

BOWINDRA A. M. A. ON

nothing; if the indications of Providence point to Jam I would go there. I leave the matter with you; praying the spirit to direct.

When I came here the understanding was that I should teach six months, I have now taught three. When is the next company to be sent out to Jam? If you decide that it is best for me to join them, will you inform me what I need for an outfit and also give me such other instruction as I need.

If you can answer this so that I can receive an answer before the Fourth I shall be greatly obliged, as the length and time of the vacations is left with me; though I usually have a long summer vacation yet if the time is pressing I can just as well have a short one. It is now about time to decide upon vacation, and I was on the point of writing to you when I received your last; that I might so dispose of my time that if possible I might fulfil my engagement.

Yours &c

Hannah Jones.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

Dr. Theodore G. Cole Superintendent General Store Mendi Mission
Good Hope Sherbro Island

Dear Sir

Below please find a Report of the Expenditures of this station from March 18th 1854 to June 30th 1855

	June 30th 1854	Sept 30th 1854	Dec 31st 1854	March 31st 1855	June 30th 1855	Total	Grand Total
	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d
Kaw Mendi Station	8.14.6	10.1.11½	9.17.6	15.3.2	39 3 0½	83.0.2	
Mission Buildings	7.12.2	4.5.10	40.2.10	72.9.11½	30.7.7½	154.18.5	
Mission Farm	30.19.9	40.18.7½	26.8.8	10.3.11½	21.8.4½	129.19.4½	
Mission School	58.12.4	52.12.10½	54.4.3	51.16.0	57.8.3½	274.13.9	
Thompson Moss & Co	35.9.1	18.4.5	21.9.2	32.4.9½	24.8.5	131.13.10½	
George Thompson	4.0.4½	7.6.2	1.7.11	6.1.11	4.8.7	23.4.11½	
Miss Hannah Moss						1.13.10½	799.3.5
Mission Presents	1.0.1½	.10.	.13.2	1.2.6	.7.8	3.13.5½	3.13.5½
							802.16.10½

Respectfully Submitted
George Thompson
Per J. Cutler, Treasr

Mendi Mission Kaw Mendi Station
30th June 1855

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FH7068
FISK UNIV.

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Expenditures
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to
June 30/55
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Lewis Tappan Esq. Treasurer
No. 48. Beekman St.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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	June 30th 1854	Sept 30th 1864	Decr 31st 1
	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d
Kaw Mendi Station	8 . 14 . 6 ×	10 . 1 . 11½ ×	9 . 17 .
Mission Buildings	7 . 12 . 2 ×	4 . 5 . 10 ×	48 . 2 .
Mission, Farm	30 . 19 . 9 ×	40 . 18 . 7½ ×	26 . 8 .
Mission, School	58 . 12 . 4 ×	52 . 12 . 10½ ×	54 . 4 .
Thompson, More & Co	35 . 9 . 1 ×	18 . 4 . 5 ×	21 . 9 .
George Thompson	4 . 0 . 4½	7 . 6 . 2 ×	1 . 7 .
Mission Presents	1 . 0 . 1½ ×	. 10 . ×	. 13 .
Miss Hannah More			

Respectfully

Mendi Mission Kaw Mendi
30th June 1855

ures, American, Missionary, Association.
St. New York City. U.S.A.

My Dear Sir

Below please find the Report
on from March 10th 1854 to June 30th 1855

1854 March 10th	1855 June 30th	1855 Total	Grand Total
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
17 . 6	15 . 3	32 . 9 . 0½	83 . 0 . 2
2 . 10	72 . 9 . 11½	30 . 7 . 7½	154 . 18 . 5
8 . 8	10 . 3 . 11½	21 . 8 . 4½	129 . 19 . 4½
4 . 3	51 . 16 . 0	57 . 8 . 3½	274 . 13 . 9
9 . 2	32 . 4 . 9½	24 . 8 . 5	131 . 13 . 10½
7 . 11	6 . 1 . 11	4 . 8 . 7	23 . 4 . 11½
3 . 2	1 . 2 . 6	. 7 . 8	3 . 13 . 5½
		1 . 13 . 10½	802 . 16 . 10½
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Added to the Foreign £17. 2. 9. for School at Tawa to Mr Parker also Clothing for Girls-
Female Prisoners for table in house — besides Many unmentioned presents &c &c
— all Probably £8. 10 + £9 + £17 + £2 = £35-7-9 + &c.

Yours Truly Submitted
George Thompson
Per J. Cutler Jeffs
Tai Station

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Br Zefft. who kindly prepared this report
sent to me by letter." I cannot say it is accurate
but in many particulars I have had to depend
entirely on Br Thompsons memory. It may
give some idea how matters stand — into.
within £20. or £30. or thereabouts" T.G.C.

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about the same
expenditure of
Kew Mr
family

Expenditures
of the
Mendi mission
"Kaw Mendi Station"
from
10 March 1854
to
30 June 1855
1 year 3 mo & 20 days

A.M. ARC
NO. H-2269
FISK UNIV.

Mission House Hall.

Dear Sir,

I drop a hasty note for you amid the multiplicity of cares attendant on the life of a Missionary & since if they were diminished I might be less useful I do not ask it any farther than health demands. It pains me that on Mission ground all should not see

Dr Thomson has been wrongely informed in no accountant of a Year handed

take charge of expenditures. Dr Pettit is convinced I good in Book keeping

feel that our interests are one, & that our efforts to do good to the people of our charge should be harmonious. It is not surprising to me that people brought in contact from different portions of a Continent, should have different views, different habits, & different modes, of life, but it is surprising that a spirit of envy should lead to detraction on the part of any. Separated from all our relatives & in a land of strangers of a hard speech whose language we cannot understand. Why can we not love as brethren & Sisters should? I trust I can? But I must say I sympathize deeply with Brothers Thomson & Pettit. I have good evidence of their piety and devotion to the cause of Missions specially among these Africans.

Dr Cole is careless in the extreme in our orders — even to call for rebuke

H. More

That they are without
errors I do not affirm.
But that they are doing
more for this people than
those who criticise on
their performances I
am confident. & that
their labors are far more
abundant than Dr Coles
or Br. Burton's for the
christianation of those
around them, & for religious
influence shed around
I am not in doubt.
Sister Susan W— has
read her note to me &
approve it & even adore
to writing it. Hannah More

June 1855

I & learned with pain that the hasty note
Br Lorenzo has been sent forward.

5 Dr Thomson usually reads me his letters & notes. And I did not criticise on that, but should have written similar under the circumstances. Mr. Burton got up Rules while I was at Freetown & they have not been shown me but I hardly think I should approve of them.

I do hope that peace & goodwill may pervade the minds of our little band of labourers at Mendi Mission

A. A. ARCHIVES
NO FI-7078
FREE UNIV.

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It seems to have been proved to my satisfaction that Dr. Cole & Miss Aldrich are not well calculated to labor jointly with any of us now in the field — This is my private opinion & may it never become public is my request — And if on farther investigation you believe me the Achan or troubler, please recall immediately — & not expose this

Perrysville Ind. July 6th 1855

Rev. George Whipple
Cor. Sec. A. M. A.

Dear Sir – Your last containing the certificate came duely to hand. I have been delayed here longer than I expected to be and shall yet remain until the 20th inst. Any communication you may desire me to have can be directed to this place until that date.

It would perhaps be well to send a certificate of a similar character for Mrs. Lee's use as we will apperate in different fields. Martha C. Lee is her address.

Indiana needs an agent to thoroughly canvass her borders and present the claims of the Association great good would doubtless be accomplished by such a course. The inhabitants are ready for the call, and their lack of understanding is a loud call of itself.

In great haste, I remain
Yours in Christian Bonds
David J. Lee

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FL-2071
FISK UNIV.

David J. Lee
Perrysville Ind.,
July 4, 1850.

Kaw Mendi West Africa
6th July 1855

Lewis Tappan Esqr Treas.
A. M. A. 48 Beekman St. N.Y.

A. M. A. NO. F1-2012 F. K. U. I.

My Dear Brother

I herewith hand you a copy of a report which I have made at Mr Thompsons request to Dr Cole, as the General Store keeper of Mendi Mission.

I send you a copy because I feel that it calls for some explanations which he will not make as Cor Sec of M.M. I feel that justice demands that I should say that I fear that it is far from approximating to the accuracy that is desirable. Yet I hope it will give, you, within one or two hundred dollars, an idea of the expenditures since my last Report before going to America, for this is the time included. I was obliged to post the Books from the time of Mr Condit's death some 15 Months. And to add to my troubles bro. Thompson had not made any distinction between the work done on the farm, for Kaw Mendi, or upon Buildings. He was obliged, before I could do any thing to his accts., to go over all the items for all the time & mark them, farm, Buildings, or Kaw Mendi according to his memory

He had made no charge to G. T. M & Co for Cook, washing &c. To Buildings for Masons, Carpenters, lumber, shells for lime &c. So at the end of each Quarter I was obliged to take the general account where he had paid off these Men & Collect & charge to proper heads. And he had made no charge to the family, here, for the provisions purchased of the General Store. Therefore in order to get at this item I was obliged take the Bill Book and that during his absence, therefore without his advice & wade through the Mass of Bills for the last 15 Months & pick out item by item. I do not mention these things to complain, so much, of Bro Thompson, as to show you the unpropitious circumstances under which I have been obliged to labor to make out reports at all. And also to show you the reasons why I could not be certain of accuracy. Bro Thompson says he has kept his Books according to the best of his knowledge, & promises now, that, I have explained matters, to keep them more understandable.

Well perhaps I have said enough by way of preface, Now Mendo Station Acct. is pretty large. This has been increased by clearing up and down the banks of the River but in the air & the 1 Bell & Oil Cloth for the floor, & 2 Beds & pictures purchased of Shuy & Co are charged to that acct.

The Mission Building account is very large. But I suppose you may be aware that Bro. Thompson, by the advice of Bro. Brooks & Burton, has been building a permanent School Boy's house which will accommodate, if necessary, a part large & part small, 100 pupils. If it is built with a good stone foundation laid in lime mortar & good sun burnt Brick plastered inside & out with lime & sand, thatched roof. Mission Farm Acct. I find very large, as you may have anticipated from the number of acres, 100, which Bro Thompson wrote that he was cultivating. I doubt whether it is good economy to have so large a farm. I doubt whether for the past 15 months it will pay costs to at least $100. The School account is a little larger this year than formerly. This arises from two reasons first, up to this year in as much as the clothes for the children were given to A.M.A. in America we never made a charge for them here. But under the administration of Bro Burton & Doct. Cole each station has been charged for them, so that we are obliged to enter them in the school expenses, to make matters ballance. Second, We have more efficient Teachers & are obliged to pay higher wages. I found out after I had closed my report, that no charge for girls clothing had been made. This would increase the acct. £10, or £12. I see that I have entirely omitted the Kawtoo Makhoo account for the six months that Mr & Mrs Green have been there.

The omission was entirely unintentional. The account for the six months is £ 17.2.9 which will swell the amt. of the Report to £ 819.19.7½ Stg. Kawloo mah hoo is the new out station, to Kaw Mundi, opposite up the Hahoon river, a branch of the Little Boom, last January by bro Thompson. From what I have learned incidentally since I completed my report, I think that the family acct. under the head of Thompson, Moe & Co. should be increased by at least £ 10. No charge has been made by bro Thompson for the Rice, Oil, Coco, Gamp, &c used in the family. George Thompson's account is for animals and curiosities purchased by him & sent home by Dr Kumler & bro Shirley & to be taken by him when he goes home. I should say most of it is for those items. Mission Presents is for Rice &c given to the sick & poor, & companies to various chiefs. I have now given you the explanations & data called for. You will understand that this is only a private letter to bro Sapsan, I have made an official one to bro. Cole according to our Rules. But I thought that I could explain matters to you in a private letter better than the Doct. could not knowing but little about the circumstances. I hope this may prove acceptable to you. I closed a letter to you at Freetown in July, & wrote to you again March 29th & wrote to Mrs Sapsan last week. I have received nothing from you or bro Whipple since our arrival in Africa. Please hand the enclosed to bro Whipple. Love to all friends. My health is better than when I wrote to sister Sapsan. Mrs Lafft is well. Affectionately Your Brother

J. Cutler Lafft

Rev J. C. Lafft & Wife
July 6 1855
Received Aug 13
Ans Sept 23

Good Hope Mission Home
Sherbro Island 7th July 1855

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-208
FISK UNIV.

Rev. Geo. Whipple.

My dear Brother.

Your kind letter of May 1st has just come to hand for which you have my most hearty thanks. As I have no time to answer to the several topics suggested, the mail closing in 30 minutes, I shall make it the first work after getting settled at Mr Tappan to write you a long letter. It is highly gratifying to me to learn that my letters are of service to you in any degree, I know that formerly I have neglected writing much knowing I was unfit to do so. What I can do to serve you or the cause in this or any way shall be cheerfully done.

Monday we start for Bom Falls. Susan is well & happy in the thought of going.

My Mother says she seldom sees the missionary.

Please send to R. Brooks the Missionary P.O. Ad. South Groton, Mass.

Yours J S Brooks

J. S. Brooks
July 7, 1855

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Kaw Mendi Mission House 7th July 18

Rev Geo Whitefield Corresp Sec
A.M.C.M. 48 Bedford Row W.C.

Dear Brother

I have written you
several times since we sailed but have not yet
received any reply to either. We hear that there
is a vessel now in Sierra Leone lately from New
York so we live in hopes that we may before
get letters. Until March [redacted] so that
you may have what [redacted] not. Feby. 14 March 7 & 16 March 29 & April 16
and June 24 I am now remitting to Mr Jappan
a Report of the Expenditures of this Station for the
five Quarters I have been away from Kaw
Mendi. and it occured to me that there were a
few statistics which might interest you and
and the public if published in your Annual
Report as I suppose you will think best to do.
There are now connected with the school at this
station 80 pupils. It is not so large as when
I left for America. Some that belonged to this
school then have been sent to Mo Jappan some
to Good Hope, and some to Kawtamakhoo &
Mogbwave. A teacher lately come on from Sierra
Leone said to our Children a few Evenings since
that they enjoyed better privileges than any in
Freetown except in the two Theol Seminaries of
the Church & Wesleyans not even excepting
the high or Grammar School of the late Rev
Thomas Peyton. This teacher just has four years
in the College of the Church Missionary Society at
Fourah Bay. Sierra Leone. Our School has so good
a name that Rev J. H. Decker lately sent his daughter
here to enjoy its privileges

And by the way Miss Woolsey thus far
to be very efficient. If she lives & continues
with the Mission, she will be worth much
to poor Africa than her weight of its gold
from the sands of its rivers, say her service
will be invaluable. The Must reason that
find for finding fault with her is that she
do too much.

The Church now numbers exclusive of
scholars 72. Added during the fiscal year
ending [redacted] 4. during the the year in
at sabbath [redacted] 4 + first sabbath in July
24. Excommunicated 3. Last sabbath was a
long to be remembered by all of us I think by
last. It was Communion season, and there
73 of us came around the table of our common
To add to the interest of the occasion there were 7 a
to the church on profession of faith in Jesus. Three of
were adults. One of them the mother of one of the girls of our
sion school. One of them a young man who came here
I arrived in Africa, a slave. We redeemed him on on
men of the village pledging himself that he shou
run away & he worked for the Mission & paid his
in about one year. Then married one of our school
& took the Christian name of Henry Stuart. He
was a young man brother of four of our school
Mr Thompson tells me that he has received & has
for the cause of Missions what will amount to
$100. per year. Remember that not one of these pa
money is worth all to $100. What they give they
earn at 15c per day. The girls & boys in school
by making shirts & working upon the farm
the hours allotted to play after work hours are do
My health is better than when I last wrote
gets well. Love to your family. Your brother J. Leitner

Rev Mr Thompson wishes to be remembered to you & other as dear

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. EI-7075
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Mission House, M. M.
Harbor Island, July 9, 1855

Rev. Dr. Whipple Cor. Sec.
of A. M. A. 48 Beekman St. N.Y.

My dear Brother

Brother Barton returned from the Jong Saturday evening, where he and Br. Thompson had been for some days, listening to a palaver made by the people of Vela for selling the country to the mission with a note from Br. T. earnestly pressing me to accompany Br. B. on Monday to Mongray to see the matter at rest. Br. Barton also urges so strong that I comply with their wishes that I have concluded to defer going to the Bonny for the week though I am prepared to start at a day's notice. By this delay I am able to answer your letter at once.

From what I have seen, I am confirmed in the belief which I entertained years ago, that the native language was not the language we should make use of, to communicate the rich truths of the Bible, and a knowledge of the arts and sciences to this people. But before I give my reasons for this belief, allow me to say that every missionary should understand the language so as to freely converse with the native, and preach without an interpreter. The Mendi language, corresponding to the wants of the people, is scant and sterile. Not very far thought, beyond the communication of the wants & business of heathen life, can be expressed by the Mendi language. It is void of beauty, variety, and delicacy of expression.

Our interpreters find it necessary to introduce many of our words into the mendi and Sherbro, to convey any notion of our conversation, the introduction of so many words, as will be necessary, will make quite a different language, so that a native, to learn it, will be required to labor nearly as hard as to acquire the English. Even now, at Raw Mendi the example of the interpreters is followed by the people, so that they have originated a peculiar dialect, which requires a second translation to be understood by the interior Mendi people. The Africans acquire a language easily, and hundreds of them speak English well. We can hardly go to a town but we find some who can talk English, and to all appearance the English will grow upon, and finally root out the [illegible]. For these reasons I am in favor of using English in our School, and pay no further attention to the native language than is necessary to preach the gospel in it.

I have concluded to use only the 34 characters used by Pitman. The intermediate sounds will be represented as Pitman represents the intermediates in English, by the character representing the sound next to it, or of which it is a modification.

The contractions and elliptical expressions in the language I find most difficult. Of late what I state for a word is but the contraction of the first and last words of a phrase. Mrs. Brooks is a deeply interested in learning the language as myself.

I received a letter from Mr. Pitman in regard to type. He wishes to know the number of letters wanted. I have made a careful estimate and shall forward the same soon.

July 24. What I have written I have written in haste and confusion though I was delayed at Good Hope & Mesurado four days I have not been able to finish this sheet and now I am too much straitened for time to write as much as I would. The Vola palaver is yet afloat - Br. Burton has been ordered to leave the country or river, the people of Vola joining Labor & his party in this order have been let off from their fine. I judge from what I could see and learn that the whole difficulty originated in a slight offered to Labor by Bros. Burton & Thompson in going to Vola for the land after they had first been to him. I believe that the place can be now secured without difficulty if Br. Burton will be patient. Africans will not be drove or hurried, they want time, we want dispatch.

Susan suffered some from an attack of fever in the way to this place which detained us two days in the city. She is now well and happy in our new home. We have three rooms so near finished that we can occupy them with some comfort tomorrow. We have in our family at the new house 11 pupils at the old house 7 at school and learning trades.

Yesterday we opened a school at Sumbrea the great slave mart of this country and we opened the Mesurado School with good promise. Mr. Pitt takes charge of the places and conducts service at both towns on the Sabbath.

The People of Mesurado plead for their school with importunity. Mr Wilson who has formerly had charge of it is yet in town and I hear nothing from him. I do so calling yet the necessity of so long a vacation, we hope to be able soon to supply that school.

We want roofing for this House. I think Yard will be best, at least it proves well at Good Hope by putting it on so as to have the joint raised about an inch that is the joint which goes up and down the roof while the other is well lapt. The building is 17 feet octagon sides. The roof should project 2 feet and be at least a 3/8 pitch. Such a roof will require 1080# feet not including the raised joints laps &c. We would like 8 lengths of eavetrough with two conductors to the wood pipes which lead to the filters. I have requested Dr. Cole to order them as soon as he can & we may put them on by the first of February. If is have it as early as that you will have to ship it by the first of November. Earlier will be better. Send nails &c necessary to put it on.

I should not write upon direct for the roofing did I not feel that we needed it at once & I feared the order would be delayed. More but good roofing tin should be got.

The older boys with me are doing quite well to appearance. William is becoming quite mature and does well in school. I have some things of special interest regarding our boys which I wish to communicate but must have time to do so before I attempt as I wish to write advisedly in regard to all and be as close to the truth as I can be.

My dear wife joins in love to you, the children, also to your wife.

With my best wishes prayers & labors

I remain your Missionary,

John L. Brooks

Rev. J. L. Brooks
July 9/55
Wants roofing.

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

The diameter of the circle inscribed in an octagon whose side is 17 ft. is 20.5+ ft = base perpendicular

3/8 pitch makes the hight - 3/8 x 20.5 or 7.7 - ft

hypothenuse, or inclination $\sqrt{7.7^2 + 20.5^2}$ = 22. - ft equals the perpendicular from peak to center of one side.

but the roof projects 2 ft. therefore call it 34 ft

this will increase the side in the ratio of 22 : 24. or

22 : 24 :: 17 : 18.55 - this multiplied into $\frac{24}{2}$ gives one triangle, or one plane = or 222+ feet.

Eight such planes = 1776.+ ft of surface.

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-7077
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Freetown. Sierra Leone W. A.
July 10th 1855

Rev. Geo Whipple
Cor. Sect. A. M. A
48. Beekman St. N.Y.

Rec'd July 10, 1855.

My dear Sir. Your letter came to hand at the Mission house Good Hope on Sat. last, with other letters, papers &c. to the Mission. With another from this place requiring my attention and present here that the goods sent to Mendi Mission might pass Custom ordeal I regret very much that it does not seem to be known yet that things sent to us here in Africa by way of the port of Freetown need to have some value attached to them that they may be entered and cleared. And also that our agent here does not want a copy of invoice and at least nominal valuation of whatever articles are sent us that he may effect an entry and forward to us goods on without our having to come and price the same and say they are for Mission use. I would note that all the 'donation' boxes came without valuation or bills also that the box of Medicines had no valuation, or list or bills that we have yet found. What may be in side we know not. Were it not for the extreme kindness & forbearance of the Collector of Customs. I am going to say, we should have much trouble and often loss in getting our things past this place. We hope this will be sufficient hint for all future, for it is very annoying to us. and does not speak very well to the public here of the business habits of our Committee or agent in N.Y.

Mr Ezzidio is very much disappointed in his bill of hats. the coarse ones being utterly unsalable in this aristocratic city. and poor people have a faculty of making them over or of doing without. He is offering for sale at 44 pence. and can't find purchasers. Only fine 44 pence will answer for him. I add for the special information of the Treasury of the A. M. A. that last mail we gave orders on our agent for Ezzidio accounting to nearly seventy pounds stg. and that there is therefore in his hands at this time but about forty or fifty pounds beyond immediate demands. the above amount was for Mechanical labor for the year past, and but a part of it

since there is probably fifty pounds now due Mr Brooks chief carpenter for work done in the Mission in the last two years. I regret the low state of our finances. yet am happy to say that the next year will not, probably, effect such a drain on the treasury as the buildings necessary for the comfort and life of your Missionaries are in such state of completion as will not require to great outlays as that of the year past, unless they have a thorough repair at Kar Mendi. and build house at Mor Ca. for the accommodation of Br Burton & family. I may notice just here that Br. Burton has greater difficulties to contend with, than he & some others had anticipated. in obtaining a good possession of this last place because of the very strong Mohametan influence in that neighborhood. We trust however that he will succeed. It is one of the most commanding and also wholesome places within our reach.

Concerning items of expenditure we hope to be able to make a statement when we make the general report. which must be scanty as Br Burton if I am correctly informed has sent to you the several quarterly reports sent him and there are no copies remaining in our hands. There will probably be needed one hundred pounds to complete house hold commissions at Good Hope station. for Mission family and School. the children being included in the Mission family. and incorporated in the household. and not left to run wild or half naked to their liking. Other places will need as much or more for the same purposes. besides the usual item meeting of necessities. In the above remarks we have anticipated the annual report. because we felt it necessary you should have some idea of what our wants in these respects were or would be very soon. as. we shall want to begin these improvements at the first of dry season. or sooner if possible.

I may now be permitted to notice your letters to me. and will say to begin that I am not surprised at the tone or spirit of them I had that not to notice the short note rec'd by the Falmouth of last March. but your last just rec'd calls it up. in that I am begged to so live & do. that the 'brethren' may not be discouraged but be induced to unite with us in our Mission labors. &c. &c.

As no one else rec'd such notice or intimation I alone am marked as the only cause of disturbance in your Mission. the originator of evil, and am "made the scape goat for the sins of many" this I can bear for my self; but if I am such an one. Why keep me here when from the very beginning I have begged of you to remove me or allow me to return;- but if not, Why charge me by implication with the evil arising from

from the deficiencies, delinquencies, or ignorance, wilful or other wise, or conceited system - or indecisions or fence walking of others - That I am defective, exceedingly so - I fully do and can have admitted, yet I do believe in some exercise of judgement, without impulse, some use of discretion and candor with decision; when reasons can be given; action, when it is required -; and delay when there is no road to go in -; and an equal meeting of mutual responsibilities - when mutual obligations to others demand it - and of conceding to each individual the privilege of meeting his own own personal responsibilities after his own judgement - when there is none else capable or acknowledged able to advise or aid, in that special responsibility or duty - or else, let him be released from all such responsibility.

I beg you will bear with my frankness or plainness, or, if you shall please to call it by another name, - you have the privilege

I regard the great cause of much that has been unpleasant as having originated in the influence of the course pursued by you towards me; - and of deficiency of private or verbal instructions, given me with the knowledge of Mr Brooks, and general & special instructions, as given to your Missionaries and my self after our arrival here - and much also has arisen from my own. I confess determined opposition to the credit system with the natives, and ~~insisting on~~ the giving of goods and moneys from the store or general funds without reporting the same for credit and report; or the giving of gifts to buy the good will (in effect) of a few irresponsible ones because "they may sometime have an influence", and come with a few words of flattery, begging you for presents; and some unpleasantness has grown from, either wilful, or ignorant misrepresentation of words spoken, or of sentiments expressed without any unkind feelings - in other words - by a tale bearer - I have written the above in confidence to you, from these some personalities arose, and could I have found a conscience that would excuse me from the responsibilities - professionally devolving on me by your special instructions, I should probably have been as far from here as Box Office now is - I only glance at these things, without particulars. -

You notice that Mr Gray felt that I had wronged him - I did wrong him, if refusing to cast off a poor servant obtained from Fantee, because he had conceived a passionate dislike for him, until a passage back to Fantee could be obtained for him according to agreement - was wrong

I did wrong him, if refusing to join with him in calling all the rest of the brethren "cursed devils" and tried to soften his feelings towards them; and in turn got his like curses for it. for I do say I never had a sharp word with him even then - for I pitied him, knowing the sensitive jealousy of a fugitive and a colored man too - Nothwithstanding his severe incandistinuous & violent bursts of passion. — I did wrong Br Offin if by refusing to have any day-or interference in his wishes. When he had said in unnecessary severity & excitement - that I talked two words, or in other words, was lying to him, when we were in daily confidential communion. so far as I was concerned - with all brotherly feeling and affection, until such words were retracted, which was a wrong. They were retracted, kindly - and from that time I have ever felt the kindest feelings for him tho' he was displeased that I did not see things in just the same light he did. because I did not find sufficient reasons for so doing. and had I been asked for a reason sufficient to my mind for conceding with him I could not have found one. tho' I was willing to assist where the voice of majority said do - and told him and others so. That he was prejudiced against me by others he himself told me. and so far as we both were concerned his feelings reciprocated. many of his words were true indeed. tho' he was disappointed that I declined to have anything to do with with the General Store, further than to assist others - I was forbade having any thing to do with Good Hope or its business or its people by J.C.J - the last time I saw him before leaving for America - unless I wished to drive them all away - I had nothing to do only as I was requested or compelled by circumstances after that - nor before for long time. because I had business of my own elsewhere. I was then permitted to try to obtain that information which you had complained to me for not before having given: by the best means I could; but with no aid help but Br Brooks after I arrived at his place. Which place I made my residence so far as it was possible to do and meet the wishes of those at Kau Mendi - as Physician or answer the purpose of business duties - or Professional requirements. It was in this time that we were permitted mutually to become better acquainted. (Offin & Benton of G.H.) When they were able to see facts facts as well as hear words - and from which the past was better understood, and I trust passed over for ever, but not its effects - for I fear that as their confidence in me grew & strengthened their confidence in another diminished - and against my desire and by their request am I now associated with Br Benton at Good Hope. for I had fondly hoped I might remain back in country. where I had begun to make my home, and study the Shorter and Mendi languages: then I was alone - I chose to be so then in difficulty

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Expecting, if you had regard to my feelings or requests I should be released from those professional obligations which draw the physician into such intimate relations with the interests, happiness or will of those with whom he has to do, or reasons for not so doing. Then I might be allowed to labor with or near others and not have my own independent judgment brought into conflict with the wishes or opinions of those who by too much conceit & too little knowledge of the laws of nature could or would not follow advice and then also bear their own responsibilities & its effects or the rules of social obligation and mutual responsibilities and expect that those whom he was compromising would sit still without remonstrating and if that were not sufficient oppose by word and act. or else be allowed, providence so indicating, to depart from this particular field of Mission labor forever, and go do elsewhere as God would give me strength and ability to perform. It was for this that I wrote to you. having suffered enough for one, as I felt and spent too many unhappy days, because of the curses and nonfellowship of those associated with me in the same great work of self denial, and labor for the souls & bodies also of others, tho' of darker skin:

I thank God for the grace He has conferred on me, for it is only by it I have been preserved, or been able to do many things I have done or even to remain here as I have remained, for I felt the position I occupied was not one of my own seeking, but altogether of divine appointment, and therefore not to be cast off slightly. It has been with these feelings, as an agent and steward of the most High I have done what I have done, at the same time feeling my own obligations to you and beyond you to those who contribute to you & by consequence to our means, and to bring those placed under our charge into habits of civilized social life, as far as possible, feeling this one was one of the greatest steps towards illustrating practically to their minds the difference between heathenism, and christianity, and thus instilling habits of social decency, and honesty from moral principles daily exemplified, and impressing their minds with a sense of superior benefits to man by obedience to Bible rules, than by appeals to country customs or good name, or selfish profit.

Having the school under my charge, and the boy in particular I felt it to be my position duty to insist on punctuality and obedience then. The roll was called Morning & Evening at prayers that we might be sure all scholars were present. When sick, I requested others to see to it Evenings in particular, it was sometimes done, & sometimes not done. I begged

that this should not be unnecessarily omitted, well knowing the advantage that would be taken. I learned it was frequently omitted. As soon as I could go out I tried to influence the children to punctuality, but could not be out in the evening; the boys that assisted often called the roll when others did not. At length seeing more than usual delinquencies in them and finding the roll had been left - as I supposed by mistake, I ventured to take it and visit the room where Br Grey had kindly undertaken the direction of evening prayers. As exercises had not yet begun I begged the roll might be called that I might know where & why the delinquency was - he said his eyes were so blind he could not well see to read writing by candle light and allowed me to call it over - and talk a little to the children for their bad habit. and them being very much fatigued begged to be excused - and returned to the house - (just across the road) A few days after I had the benefit of a moral lecture on presuming to take upon me the duties the clergyman - in directing the (as I had before supposed) duty of) evening prayers with the school children - saying it was a public exercise, and only under the guidance and supervision of the pastor of the church - instead of superintendent of the school as I had by others been led to understand. As I was not a Clergyman, nor the son of one, I felt it best to decline all clerical associations or duties after, when there were such at hand to do them, for I like to have, as the apostle directs, all things done decently and in order: avoiding all unnecessary interference or confusion with others - (Perhaps this was one of the great wrongs done by me to Mr Gray) I know that others found and felt their labors increased by it - and willingly would have occasionally relieved them had they at any time expressed a desire for it: therefore I have not except when away or alone, or with those standing with myself only in the capacity of assistants - used the privilege of speaking - or directing any religious public exercise but by request - however much I should have loved to do so, or would have been personally benefited in my own spirit - having no such liberty unless assumed - (Was this a wrong?)

I have written these that you may know more of the causes in part that have led to my course of action - and the requests so long & often made to you by me - I have made no allusion to R. G. T. - by name the trials of the past was connected with him and - at first his wife. If words and prayers can be believed, we hope for peace then in future. His wife (poor, impulsively passionate child of nature, and feeling she occupied a bigger position than she did) is long since forgiven, with feelings of tenderest pity for her weakness and feminine presumption - I regret exceedingly that she is prevented from being with her dear husband because of me - also that Br Tottenfer

have been obliged to be separated from like causes. Such are not of my making - or wishing -

In your letter you speak of "no very great fear that others will injure you or" (me)" I think I have reason to thank God that he has so constituted me that I am not obliged to live on the approbation or disapprobation of any one, as much as I would like to be on kind, social, Christian terms of intimacy with them. A neglect of obligations, and disregard to corresponding relative duties, to please any one; I regard as a far greater injury than can in any other way be accomplished -

My Motto has long been "never despair", duty first and pleasure afterwards; if both do not walk in the same path at the same time - for they will meet some where"; on these principles I have tried to act, whether they should raise me in your esteem, or cast me so low I might never expect you save again -

You say (you) "I have always found that it took two to quarrel" that is true, tho' it takes but one oftentimes to give occasion for a difference and a desire in another to be separated that no dissension or "quarrels" might arise - This was the great reason why I desired in my first, or near first letter to you to be transferred to another Mission - In regard to the 'report' as you notice it. I regard it as a meager affair, and very defient because I could not get the means I asked of my Brethren, to enable me to explore in other parts - When I have given the slightest notice - not having been permitted to make much personal observations - having from experience little confidence in descriptions given by others from defient measure of observation - or else cannot understand their descriptions -

You ask "Ought we to expect immunity or" - I may not be permitted to answer such a query - but will simply remark that some idea may be gathered if we consider the cause, and consequent fate of our lamented Br Conditt - and Sister Winters - time conveniences are now so far completed that comfort, and protection from climate, and atmospheric changes to a good extent can be had:

You remark "I hope you may have grace to erase all your resentment &c, &c." I do most truly say that those feelings of "resentment" as you term them have been feelings of the deepest pain, and anguish - and a prayer - that I might endure, what God saw fit to permit - and by of him to heal the hurt that was crushing my soul to death, by bowing

it down in bitter lonelinys. and weepings - from not being able or, in reality allowed to follow ship my fellows - May God forgive as I have strive by his grace to do - but I feel there is a necessity for care to protect from any like thing again - and most gratefully thank you for your kind wishes ——

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Since the arrival of the G. W. Townsend - there has arrived from N. York. in port of Sierra Leone. the Brig Cynthia. (Wade) and the Brazilian Favorite. Machado to Hedde - the last bringing a very few papers & letters - but no "American Missionaries" Why?! - We have seen no copies for many months past - and would like to know what is being done by our friends Elsewhere. Not any Goods in answer to Br Barton's request. or orders - all which I wish you to meet so far as I know then - for they will be needed. and my own orders have all been made as additions not to take the place of that. or those sent before -

We wish for an answer soon to our inquiries relative to the manner of drawing funds - and wish for a letter of credit. immediately. or directions how, and what amounts - We may draw directly for from N. York, and how often: Monthly or Semi-annually - or quarterly - I would be pleased also to have some rate of salary fixed by which each one can know how far he can safely presume to purchase curiosities and increase his expenses in unnecessary ways - Allowances for schools - contingencies. &c. &c ——

I regret having imposed so far on you as to have written this last - but it has been like the letting out of water. besides I felt it was at last due you to know more. that it might be an opportune statement - of the reasons for the former letter - sent you - not from any feelings of "resentment" existing toward any one. but that if my letters, or requests are not worthy of notice you, at least, shall have the pleasure of knowing a part of the reasons for them

Without expecting answer to what I have written, farther than the business matters are concerned - I remain your obt. Svt. Lincoln Ky Lust - Z. S. Cole

Let further of any one cause as hurry as of others - if any you can judge, if might appear - as made to you inside -

P. S. I will for your pleasure state to you that Br Tefft has written me a letter recently, retracting some of those unhappy things - and asking pardon as a brother - as such I cannot withhold it - nor as a Christian - dare I do otherwise. tho: the letter was not wholly satisfactory

I dared not write to him lest I should recall too many painful things, that could possibly hurt him, and do me no good - I sent or gave the verbal answer to Br Brooks -

It may perhaps be proper to add that I am as willing to labor here as elsewhere if Gods providence shall so indicate by blessing us with peace, and union of action, and success in our labors - and it shall be according to the judgement of the 4th Committee -

H. G. C.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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New Mendi July 14/77

Dear Mr Geo Whipple

Your's of June 23 was rec'd last eve. Boxes &c, is expected in a few days with the goods & letters in the boxes, then but I will write a word now while I have a little leisure — I am glad to hear from you at any time, & know wherein others think I do wrong, that I may have a chance to correct myself.

With regard to the Press, I still express my belief that it cannot be again used. Were it in America, doubtless it might be fixed up — but here, it is different. When implements shock, & many things begin to go, we cannot save them, for want of some one to repair them suitably —

Brooks expressed his opinion that the old Press could be saved, without examination — without knowing its condition. But possibly if he were here, he might fix it up, somehow, but it is entirely beyond my ingenuity. —

"But who is to blame for the destruction of this Press"? I can't say, certainly. I kept it 2 years, safely, as I got it from N.Y. — I left it set up, in good working operation. I came back in 1853, & found it cast aside, broken, parts lost, type all mixed up, & scattered about. The bugs & bugs have eaten the wood work, so that much of it would have to be entirely new which none, but a missionary mechanic could do — our country carpenters could not —

George, I don't feel condemned, in conscience, for writing for a new Press. I consider myself, probably the most rigid economist, in expenses, of the Mission. I place myself behind none — let them say what they may. It has ever been a prominent trait of my character. I can look back, see where I erred, & blundered, thro' ignorance, but am as ready & glad to improve upon, & correct my errors, as any others can be. I will accept good counsel, & seek to improve.

July 23. Bro Whipple, I send 3 sheets of Journal, to Mr, which will give you particulars. Read, if you have time, & then a day or two — which is forward. If you approve of my plan, in giving to Martin & Co, write to Dr — Write to Martin, & tell him all you can & thank him.

"Complaints made about property wasting in our Store here".
I know not to whom such representations are made "from time to time" nor is it any matter to me, as I have been belied, by one Daughter, from the days of Brown, Geo. to this day - & yet I live, & the Lord owns my unworthy labors, more than those of all the rest put together. Having this His approbation, I go forward about my own business, not minding reports, or false accusations except acquainting you, from time to time, of things that occur.

What goods are wasting. We have a large supply of hooks, of a large size, enough for years to come - but they are not wasting - they are, & will be just as good 5 years hence as now - We had a large supply of needles sent in 53 - These they are rusted some, & injured - from the moisture of the climate - & by being kept in the damp store - but am I to be blamed for this? They might have been preserved by the 53 company - if properly cared for. - However, we use them, as they are, & make large profits on them as it is. -

Again, the Roaches, & bugs have injured some books in the store, & our leaky house has injured others - but I blame no one, for this - such things are rather connected with a residence in this country. -

Well, what else? There were 3 or 4 waffle irons sent, which have not been used! Strange! There were 2 or 3 dozen pepper, sent, which have not been used much, for want of corn to put in them! & And there were a few doz clothes pins sent, not used, because the natives dry their clothes on the grass!! -

I believe some of the barrel of Sour Crout, spoiled - & sometimes some of our Crackers spoil - & a part of a cheese - but I know not what else of "property is wasting in our Store". All the different kinds of cloths, hats, boots, shoes, spoons, accordions, knives, tin ware, crockery ware, hoes, paper, good, & other sell off clean, so that I have to keep ordering, from General Store in our letter. I repudiate the charge.

About the house, farm, store, & things do waste, continually - from Rats, Rains, rough usage &c - but this is something connected with a residence in Africa, & if I am denied, let any one show me the town, the house, the store, the road, or else in W.A. where it is not so.

Do you exchange with the English Papers "The Empire", by Geo Thompson - "The Star", by Burnett - & the West Reporter? I have written Papers & "The Empire" & "The Star" to the Reporter, & receiving Handbills - & "The Star" & "The Bee", & Pretty effects.

Nothing lasts, here, as in America — every thing goes rapidly to ruin, & decay — as a person who has not witnessed it, cannot possibly realize —

The steps & this door house, have long since had to be repaired, as soon as we can get the lumber must be made entirely new, or our lives even, are endangered by them —

Fences, house roofs, wheel barrows, every thing exposed to the weather goes thus, before you would think of it —

When I went home, with my wife, I left the buggy, under a good shelter — in my absence Gray, a some body exposed it & I left it standing in the Rains, so that, when I came back, after 7 months, the seats, bottom boards, &c were rotten, & I had to repair them. Of this, there was no need — I believe it was all, from a kind of spite, Gray had toward me, for opposing him, in his knocking down palavers —

Our clothes soon go. Shoes last but a few weeks — It is no wonder, therefore, of some things should spoil. Were there more help, we could better take care of things — but when one is perfect as I have been, I could not think of all things that needed care, till, by & by, I found them spoiling —

But let them blame, — I have got used to it, for the last 14 years, & can bear it tolerably well, now.

Of the General Store, I shall not speak — but only add, under this connection that some people spend more time, I thought, & labor, in finding fault with those who go ahead, & stop not to parley with them, than they do in trying to better things, or set a better example.

And some are most like the dog in the manger — will neither work — nor let others work peaceably —

But work I will, until I get bitten so badly, I can't go on, then I may try to break other fields, & toil on till death.

I thank God for a sort of independence, which gives me to "go forward" —

I have written to Dr. O Conwright — a report of my visit to Iowa City at Iowa Wesleyan University, & Zion Church, especially the Sabbath school — All were well — Let all our friends see this

In the language of Mr. Jackson's funeral sermon "Men who never venture to move, never go wrong; & they who never attempt any thing, never fail in their attempts. And they who only follow where others lead the way, too often arrive too late to do more, than to enjoy the fruit of others' toil. But they who live to do good, +++ tho' they may sometimes mistake, do, after all, correct their errors, & in spite of them, accomplish an hundred fold more good than they who always wait to be certain that they act surely, & safely, till there is nothing for them to do!

Go ahead - be doing. I must, wherever I am. I am ignorant - I feel, I know it. I desire, I long for knowledge - I crave, I am always glad of counsel. "In a multitude of counsellors, there is safety" - but, after all, I shall maintain a mind of my own, & act as my own sense of duty urges me to act, after all the light I can get.

I am not insensible of my great depth, which are not offensive to others - I more are more distressed in view of them than myself - & I try to correct them - but yet have many failings. "Yet I am what I am", &c - And just as I am, I lay myself on the altar a living sacrifice. My daily desire & prayer, being that God will glorify himself in & through a poor, unworthy worm of the dust.

My health is pretty good - had a few days of boiling unwell, in consequence of wading 3 hours in water, walking 6 miles - but now feel well. The others here comfortable. Jeff has been here sick - now pretty smart -

1st Sabbath in July 7 were united to the Ch by profession & from 10 to 15 meetings weekly for religious conversation - My boys house is covered & plastered - but we have not yet fixed the births, &c & moved into it - I have built a fine wharf, a pier - the best on the West bank of Illinois - a great improvement. All thank me for it - Banks is now on his way to Mo. Jeff with his wife. Mrs Jeff. expects to be "confined" in a few weeks. Mind - love to all - & many thanks. Your Bro Geo. Thompson

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Rev. Geo. W. Pepple. Cor. Sec. A.M.A.
No 48 Bucknam St. New York.

Dear Sir.

Yours of June 11th was duly received, and was answered the 12th. But as I have received no reply, I thought perhaps it was lost. You asked how I would like to spend a year or two in Jamaica before going to Africa. My reply is, I wish to go where I can do the most good and when Providence opens the way. If that place is Jam. there let me go.

But I am unacquainted with the mission and its wants, and if you could forward me some document from which I can form some

definite idea of the present and past position of the mission. I shall feel greatly obliged to you.

I doubt not that when I know its history and wants I shall feel as deep an interest in it as in any other.

Indeed it was an urgent plea for teachers for that mission, which led me to earnestly inquire whether it was not my duty to devote myself to destitute fields of labor.

Though painfully conscious of incompetency, I offered myself to you, and you have accepted me. I would not occupy the place which others more talented can better occupy; but the great want of laborers in the dark places of the earth, the perishing state of the world for want of the knowledge of Jesus Christ, led me to solemnly dedicate myself to the work of evangelizing the heathen.

If God would open the way, and set before me an open door.

Will you please inform me when the next reinforcement to Jam. will be sent out?

In answer to your inquiry as to my present engagements, — I have 9 weeks longer to teach here.

My regards to Br. Belton and his dear wife.

Yours truly.

H. Hawes

P. S.: I have received a letter of recommendation, but as I suppose it unnecessary I have not forwarded it.

H. H.

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Messrs L. Tappan & Revd G. Whipple
Gentlemen of the A. M. A.

I now take pen in hand (with the utmost grief of Sorrow) to inform you the treatment which I receive from your Mission at Kaumendi for my own property. 1st at the Commencement of the War between Malifah and the Bame People as I had been an old resident at the mission and the War getting serious. I begg of Mr Gray to allow me to put my Canoe under the Mission boat house as there was enough Room at that time being. and my request was granted by him And accordingly, I had my Canoe hauled under the boat house At the offence of eight head of tobacco and I myself Left the Mission town, and went to a Village near by. I Had not been there One month lacking 5 days. before I seen A person from the Mission Came and told me that Green The Schoolmaster has push'd off your Canoe and gone To york Island. Well it appears that a man by the name of Johnson who is a great deceiver and hypocrite in the Mission at the return of the Canoe took her in Charge I believe to the best of my knowledge the time to this date will be Seven full months. Green went to freetown Sierra Leone and Stopped Some time, returned to the Mission, and seen the Canoe lying Cracks, and getting damaged in all manners And Ways never made any enquiry concerning the Canoe, and Previous to that when I heard of his return at the Mission I sent him a letter saying that he will pay me for my Canoe Eighty Bars which is calculated to be £10 sterling money And the same I require in Cash or goods at Sierra Leone price, this day while your goodness is now Reading this bad Writing.

on the 29th Day of June I went to the Mission town to see about
My Canoe, and as Mr Greene thought proper and believed that
I was not to be heeded, on account of my own property, had
Never answered my letter, I went to Greene's house and saw
Him and dined with him, gave me not time to tell him my
Business but first Commenced by saying Well Mr Godfrey
I expect that you Came about your Canoe, however I
Have Witnesses and I shall Call people to Judge who
Had to pay for your Canoe I or Johnson, accordingly
So he done, and Call'd three of the Chief
Mendians who are appointed by the
Missionaries to Settle matters in dispute
They heard the Complaints of Both parties.
When they went out to return and bring in their
Verdict they doubted, saying it is White man
Palava We will go to Mr Tefft and let
Him know, Tefft Came to the Water side and
Looked at the Canoe, and thought that if Daddy
Johnson paid me One bar and give me two
Bars which I refused. I told Mr Tefft that
If he knew that three bars was sufficient to
Have my Canoe repaired and let me have
Her, and keep the three Bars Again 2nd
Gentleman you will please to know that the
Price of Canoes at present is very high in Sherbro
3rdly the damage to that Canoe, I paid for the Workman
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Well a part of the Canoe is and has got Rotten by its
Long detention in the Mud and Water as She has been
Used as a regular ferry boat, and again it is of the
First quality of Wood for Canoes, by name Bore, hard wood

Preamble

On the 1st day of July Ready to depart I went to the
School house door and bid Mr. Greene farewell and told
Him that I wanted to know what he would do about my Canoe
He said that Mr. Thompson and Jeffs had told him that
If I should go to him he must not take any heed but
Let me go to them, according I went to them and
Met Mr. Jeffs Ready and going to Barto Hall I spoke
To Mr. Thompson he believed that three bars was enough
For Damages done to my Canoe I wanted revenge and
And dishonesty and a long score of gospell. I told
Him repair the damages of my Canoe and take the
Three Bars for the Mission. Why your goodnesses —
Why as those gentlemen know that three Bars is
Sufficient to repair damages and the loss of
My time and Canoe why not repair her and
Let me have her as they professes so much religion
And truth and righteousness. I myself am a Wicked
Man and do not profess religion but I do my
utmost to obey the ten Commandments which
is nearly all that I am looking for at this
Time being.

NB. I am a man of Colour born in Philadelphia
And bred in Newyork I might write a great deal
More concerning the injustice of the Mission if required
As I have been in the Mission employ therefore I
Wish you to know that I am a poor American Blow
And no help but divine providence and I humbly
Beg for my Canoe or the Value.

I. have been thirty two years 6 months and Six days to Day
In africa and never So much degraded by any person or
Persons as what I. have been injured by Franklin arnold
And I. Cutter Jeff. I. Was accused by them and the same
Hypocrite Johnson of having incest with a small girl
By the name of Sarah. Thompson, but no One would
Accuse me of the missionaries untill I. Was told by
Two young men by name Steaner and tucker saying the
Workmen are talking about you that you have had incest
With Sarah Thompson. the next day morning. I. seen
Mr. Gray looking over the fence in to Mr. Brooks, yard.
I. asked him if any person had been to him with such
Like report. and he said no but he heard something
About it. that was on a Saturday. I waited that day and
Sunday untill monday. I remarked that every time
I. went towards the mission house that if Arnold &
Miss More was in the fence ya they walk inside the house
And before that we had always been familiar in —
Passing Compliments of the day. Well I found that it
Was to much for me to bear and for what reason those two
People slighted me I. Could not tell. a while afterwards I.
Seen Mr. Arnold Sitting inside of the house at or near
The door I. entered the door and as Miss more saw me
She turned herself with her rocking chair back to me
And before that formally she used to give me a tumbler
of Plumb Beer every Day I believe When she had it
The Only address that I. made and said to Arnold, Was Judge not
Lest ye be Judged. his reply was to me not to come there I. am

What he Calls an old Wretch and he prays for me
Every night. and behold when I Came to find out his prayers
They Were meant for the natives to kill me, I told him,
Saying there is your Mr. Gray and more more, Call the girl
And the face and face make an Enquiry his Reply I Shall
Not. I will have nothing to do with I will not talk it I
know that you are guilty. guilty Conscience Wants no accuser
you Shall go to Mongrey, and there be tried by Keiser
Thamah I. then told him that I was Willing to go
Any part and be tried, in a few days after I left the
Mission town and West and resided with a Man by the name
of Thomas French, Mr Arnold Sent a man to Mongrie
To the Said girls father telling him that Godfrey has
Defiled and Ruined his daughter, and Run away and
Gone to frenches town, in five days after I seen the
Man he Came to frenches place and Shew the
Matter to French I. denied the Crime, the father of
the girl then Said that We must go to the Whiteman
Manning Arnold. I. Willingly Consented and away We
All got in Canoe. Met Arnold at the mission the girls
Father Wished him to enquire into the matter, he said
No he would not talk it. the girl was then Call.d to be
Examined privately. I. Said that I would like to be
Present at the examination and defend for myself, oh
No. Said Arnold dont let him go. and I. asked him
For What Reason his Reply was that I. Wanted to go there
With my Rescality. and Villainy. Now gentleman I.
would be glad to know from Arnold What Rascality I.

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know allow to him let him tell you gentlemen if you
please. or to any other missionary let him tell what I Many
I have acted or done in that mission. I well know that I
Have been Beneficial to the interest of the mission.
When I was in the employ and I believe that I might
Call on Mr John S. Brooks to testify the same who
I do not know where he is to day according
I was given to be tried by the native law and was
Tried and cast the bitter Bread and was cleared
and was Clear and innocent of the accusation
And keesei kamah sent word by the same
Man that Arnold and Tefft sent 8 yards
of unbleached Cotton to have me punished and
Degraded. that was the Cast. go says he and
Tell them white man not to trouble Godfrey
For he is innocent. I promised Arnold
To put him in the hands of the law for
Defamation of Character, But he did not give me
Time as he went off I know not where.

P. S. Good gentlemen please to observe that at the
Time of my prosecution and going carried like
A murderer and a thief to mongrei that I enquired
Very Particular of Arnold before good Witnesses. Who is
My Prosecutor and Who sends me to mongrei the reply
From him and Mr. Tefft was that the mission sends
you. and for all this false matter I have had

No Compensation made to me and my character is still
Remaining scandalized. I beg that I get my Canoe
or the Value without loss of time as that is all my dependence
For my livelihood as I have no other support. I was
going to apply to the native law But I thought and
Believe that the plan I have taken will be more
Satisfactory I trust in providence.

I Conclude
With the Consideration
And Consigned Resignation
I am yours to serve
&c &c

Edwd. P. Godfrey

Direct to the Care of Mr. Thomas Taylor
At. Bonte River Liberia

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Rev. Geo. Whipple
A. M.

NEW YORK
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48 Beekman
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A. M.
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E. V. Goldsborough
July 20/53.

Refer to G. Thompson

V. Nov 12/53

Saying we could do nothing further in it

N. S. Ph

C.H.

Kaw Mendi West Africa 23d July 1855

Mr Geo Whipple Cor. Sec. A.M.A.
48 Beekman St. NY.

A.M.A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-2084
Fisk University

My Dear Brother I am [illegible] express some
letters to my parents brothers & sisters so in as much as it
will not increase the postage; I think I will hand you a few
lines. If you read the poetry in either of the letters which
accompany this you will learn why they are thus sent.
Mrs Jeff was delivered on the morning of the 19th of a fine
healthy boy of full 7 lbs weight. This I think may be
[redacted] all of now at the Room
[redacted] L. Her labor
[redacted] not seven
short time say 1½ hours she was able to get up without he
she washed off, & has taken 3 or 4 baths daily since. On
her 4th she sat up most of the day & this P.M. ate d
with the family. Little "James Buxton Jeff." has
to nurse & my dear wife has plenty of milk for him
We cannot but hope that all will go off well & tha
Mother & boy may enjoy health & life. We attribute
good health and their ease of her delivery & the g
progress both [redacted] & the babe have made
[redacted] ater cure pretty thorough
[redacted] ions diet. I am the more p
[redacted] subject because I know you will all be
anxious & interested. Bro Brooks & wife have moved
Mr Jappan. I have this P.M. heard that they arrive
ly & that sister B- was much pleased with her he
Sister Worley has just got about from her second attack of
fever. So still some weak I would suggest that you drop a
note to her parents. They have not heard from her since they
heard of sister Winters death & will be very anxious.
All the rest are comfortably well. Please give this news to bro.
Doolittle, Jappan & Baldwin & if you should be writing
to Mr Paine & Bedortha do them the love. Your bro. J. Jeff.

P.S. Mr Thompson says tell bro Whipple I do not want Martha send out presents while her health is so precarious

J.C.S.

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Liverpool 24 July 1855

Wm. L. Saffurr,
Treasurr, "American Missionary Association"
New York.

Dear Sir

In accordance with our custom at this season we beg to hand you herewith statement of your Account Current shewing a balance in our favor of £201.11.0 Cash 30 ult.o which we hope you will find correct.

We are

Yours respectfully
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Boom Falls Station, Mendi Mission W.A.
Mr Lappan House, July 30th 1883.

Rev. Dr. Whipple. Cor. Sec.
A.M.A. 48 Bedman St. N.Y.

My dear Brother.

With Mrs Brooks I visited Kaw Mendi so as to spend the first Sabbath of this month there it being Sacramental day and had been appointed as a day to receive members into the church. On occasion of the Lords Supper and baptism of candidates &c. some things were noticed by myself and others that was not as pleasant as we could wish and as you have expressed some a wish to know something about the church converts &c I take the liberty to give you the observations of a single day. In doing so I wish to do no one an injury. Another may do what may disgust me with a good conscience while I may with my best and pure motives do what may seem to be sin to my brother.

In the morning we listened to a sermon by Dr Thompson, the house was well filled by a respectable congregation. The candidates for baptism were present. two of them young men of rather extraordinary intelligent and profound attentive. One was a woman of rather a careless habit inattentive and unstatedly appearing. The others were quite young boys. two of whom were in their dirty clothes contrary to the repeated instructions of Drs. Mrs. Drs had given them. Their clothes. At the close of the morning Dr sister Mrs. M. Mrs. expressed to the conduct of the boys, but he took no notice of it. Dr Mrs conducted to take the mother in her own hands and the boys into her room and gave them a good flogging. As the Dr Mrs thought the boys should not be baptized under the circumstances

At the hour appointed the church and candidates for baptism came together at the meeting house. Some of the older members of the school who were members of church had laid aside their clean coats and put on dirty ones. as sister Rose said, to appear humble. The candidates were arranged on the front seats. The two young men before mentioned appeared solemn and thoughtful the woman manifested through the whole marked inattention, carelessness, ignorance of the vows she was taking upon herself, went out during the reading of the covenant & articles of faith, I judge she knew nothing what she was doing. Mr Thompson read his Articles and covenant to which they subscribed. They were then requested to kneel for baptism after which Mr. Thompson poured water on their heads in the name of the Trinity. After baptism the church were requested to give to the candidates the right hand of fellowship. on which the church arose and forming a line marched to the platform taking the hand of each. At the time of the pilgrimage I think I never felt so unhappy at a baptism. In a moment all was confusion and discord. It seemed more like the breaking up of a camp meeting.

After this confusion was at an end the bread was broken and distributed without consecration through some oversight. Then the wine was consecrated and passed around. Some children not professors of religion were allowed to take of both the cup & bread, I do not say that this was intentional, it was not likely through carelessness or a proper regard for the solemnities of the occasion. I cannot say I was grieved by the carelessness manifested and could but feel, that the ordinances of the Church must suffer if such things were allowed to be often repeated. I had some talk with Mr Thompson about them. He said that the consecration of the elements was neglected through an oversight of his & he was sorry for it. The others present felt and did about them that they were some of them insensible blunders.

In the evening after meeting the church and there had a season of prayer, I was troubled some with asthma and had been speaking so I left the house to get out of the evening air and lie down. I had been gone but a little while before my attention was arrested by a strange noise as of a multitude in simultaneous boisterous conversation, some the voice of one arose above the other in piercing oaths. I went to the door to learn the cause and to my surprise it came from the meeting house. It sent a chill through me and almost deadening the pleasant feeling which had been awakened by the sanctified feeling of the days exercises. The Canada jumping & rolling meetings were brought fresh to my mind. As I closed the door and turned to the company I asked if such was a specimen of their great meetings remarking that I could not see such fire as that with a bucket of water. And that if there was any of it at Mt Zion when I got there I would certainly use water. Sister Wolsey replied that she from the impulse of the moment dashed a pitcher of water on one who was brought to the house from such a meeting helpless and she recovered and retired from the company rather ashamed. I believe that the Sisters at Raw Mandi have confidence in the genuineness of the first exercises of this peculiar excitement, but now they have, I am at mistake but little or no confidence in it. In my judgement it is animal and not spiritual, and that its spread is constitutional sympathy and not of the oneness of the spirit of Christ. I have seen so much of it and of its effects that I feel prepared to check it in the bud or at any successive stage at the station where I am located. It should never become popular if it does it soon takes the place of spirituality.

I have just been giving a few moments to recall the names and present circumstances, of those you cut from our school and as such a review will give you a better knowledge of our grounds of hope than any other effort I could make I will give you a brief statement in regard to each name I now recall.

R. Minner. called in Compson in a place the Young preacher. a young man of good promise - member of church a long time - was dismissed in 1850 for fornication, went to Gallinas, found himself to be a man of that country to trade, whose goods he squanders in woman palavers till he is reduced to the condition of a heathen.

Abraham Tucker. Member of Church. Young man of good promise, we did hope much from him, was one of our best scholars. He ran away in 1850 without any provocation, and at once - without a days delay plunged into the follies of the heathen so much so that the heathen regarded him as a wild bad young man, he is now engaged in trade for his uncle without a character higher than a degraded heathen.

David Tucker, member of class, was a boy of some promise was discharged Sept 1850 for insubordination, was employed as a factor, became unsteady in attention & gave himself up to vice till he lost his situation and was degraded to the condition of a common native.

Joseph Solomon - a good scholar gave good promise ran away in 1852 - gave himself up to vice, ran a short race and paid for his folly by his life about three months since

John Rankin was a smart boy - member of Church - habitual thief and was finally dismissed some months since by Mr Thompson. What has become of him we know not.

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Charles Allen. The young man Mr. Thompson sent to Mongkong. We hoped some thing good from him while he was at the Mission. For some act of insubordination, he was dismissed. Had been a member of Church after he left us we still looked for good to come out of Nazareth but we have been some disappointed. Within the last year he has been trading at Mr Hongs, and though he has had repeated opportunity of coming to meeting, he has not had a single time, excepting a few times at Mr Hongs. He, like other traders, has been drawn into the paths of sin. Discontented with his own, he has sought the company of other means ways. He is now but little better than a heathen.

David Johnson a young man of unusual promise in some respects, was gifted. Active, a member of Church. Was with me here for six or eight months, did well. When I left here for a time, in 75, he took a woman to wife after the custom of the country & left the mission. He is now one of the most unreasonable, foolishly wicked young men I know of. By his foolish falsehoods, and unevenness he has but few friends even among the country people.

Another much like him, is Jacob Thomas. More than once reported, as a young man of special promise. It seems as if Jacob drove to deeper degradation than the people generally. Jacob is now a Place holder, Polygamist, Idolater. Liar of the worst stamp. He is the son of the late Prau, and has taken to himself one of his Fathers wives. He now worships by a bogs-tent has been from Tau, Mundi till then a year. Was interested in the late revival there.

James Rodgers. Was a smart boy. One of the older classes (invited) [illegible]

Some considerable progress in his studies. We hoped to see a man at least of him. About a year ago he was expelled the School and is now trading on the Kittam River. I know not his character but judge from his conduct the last part of his stay at Raw Menti that he in the matter of morals cannot be better than the worst of the heathen.

Thomas Cartier was a boy of great promise, member of Church. Appeared to be steady, industrious, and manly. All said Thomas Cartier was one of our more hopeful young men, But he fell as most fall here. He suffered the penalty for the sin of adultery at R. M., and was take again into the School. Was thought to be pious & truly penitent. He is now at York Island living with a concubine.

Joseph Tucker was a good boy but left on account of leprosy. Was cured and sent up country to trade by his father Harry Tucker, was caught in the war & is now a slave in some part.

Harry Charles Tucker, was a boy Mr Thompson thought highly of, was a member of Church. Was sent last December to Dr. Cole as an interpreter, did very well till May, when he left without permission under advice of his family and is now trading for his father Charles Tucker successor to Harry.

Joe Robinson - ran away - had been killed by war.

Jack Tucker, was a wild young man, was put at Carpenter work, did well, married a girl under the care of the Mission, whom (I believe) Mr. Gray robbed of virtue &

wonderfully little respect. Mr. Jacks declaring that he saw
Mr. Gray about to indulge in liberties bearing
peculiarly to himself and was not fully able to substan
his declaration by other evidences among his wife written
that she used to insult Mr. Gray for the purposes he was
expelled or discharged from Gordon Cheese and
ordered off! He is now working at his trade is all
I know of him. He is not religious.

Joseph Taylor raised the expectations of some was
smart, learned with Jonas Church. had syphilis at
the mission & was finally expelled the mission for bad conduct.
and is now trading.

George Cleveland was a fine lad member of the
left to see his friends, has not returned, is doubtless trading

Joseph Kalepa a fine boy, good scholar, strong
mind. went to Good Hope, was put in a school at Nyan-
dihoo, but was dismissed for not obeying instructions
& now with his father at Bearing or up country by
country death for him.

James Williams was a fine steady young man &
we had our hopes of him, but for some bad conduct
which I do not now remember he was sent off
He with Murray & Jackie had an affray against the
a party of Boers & was killed. His brother a
young man was also dismissed from the mission becoming
a thief and was sold to the Lo Lo slave, selling and
has been carried north.

Harry Sucker was one of our oldest boys a carpenter, was
member of church. taught and had the promise of Sand

Kinsons hands. He left the Mission under the suspicion of breaking and robbing my house. got a good situation in Freetown which he held for a year or more then returned to his family at the Boom and is now a country man.

Joseph Raymond. One of the first boys taken by Mr Raymond was not remarkable for good promise. He is now a member of Church working for the Mission I believe.

David Wilson, has been long at the Mission. Promised good. Joined church was a member some time, was transferred to this station. has been expelled for woman palaver. He is now here learning a trade. professes penitence, but does not give us strong evidence of a change

George Harris has been long at the Mission. was cook boy at Kaw Mendi a long time, did well, joined class of our Church went to see his friends more than a year ago and has not been back to Mission. The fact is he is a Countryman has resumed his old habits - has his wives &c. &c.

Joseph Quetthey. Has been long at the Mission. is a young man of good mind. has been a member of class, but was dismissed here for adultry. He is still here learning a trade. Can't trust him, yet hope he will make a passable man - reads & writes well -

Samuel Skinner the oldest young man at the Mission, is now carpenter at K. M. Has many excellent qualities & some as bad. has had his woman palavers thief palavers & other bad palavers. Has been long a member of Church expelled once or twice. is now a member & a favorite at K. M. hope he is a true Christian but can't trust him far.

William Frederick carpenter to Bro. Hope is a good young

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man of steady and industrious habits. He is a member of Church, together with his wife, who was also brought up by the mission. We prize them both.

Charles Jones is one of our older boys, can read and write tolerably well. Loves at Good Hope, not a professor of religion. He is not of much service though able to do much. Has no trade, is indolent, and not much worthy.

James C. Barnett has been 4 years at the mission can himself my boy, is the one who was caught in an elegant at K. M. He has been some time a member of Church & has lived commendably. He has a large conscience and promises to be a worthy man. He is learning carpenters trade.

Stephen B. Caulker another of my boys, was at first wild, careless & overbearing. Joined Church at its formation here, is now a good boy, learning well and for the most part leads a new life.

Henry Johnson, has been a member of class, is one of the older boys, is now here learning to saw boards, is not steady as we could wish, yet he is not as bad as most of his school mates have proved to be.

William B. Tucker still promises well, he has caused us some anxiety and trouble but we love him still. He is a noble young man.

James Anderson promises well. He is highly valued at Bassa Cove where he is best known. He has had his own palavers but we hope repent them as he should.

Charles G. Tucker, is another good and gifted boy. He is highly esteemed by his teachers and promises to be a useful man if we can keep him from his father.

There are some other good boys at K.M. who I am not acquainted with, so I will pass to notice some of the girls.

Jane Raymond has been a long time at the mission. was always a bad girl. was dismissed more than a year ago. and is now a member of one of the chief harems at Mongray.

~~Lucy~~ Lucy Thompson has been a long time at school. was prostituted by Bunyan. leads rather a suspicious irregular life untill she was married to a workman of the mission. Both she and her husband are members of Church now I think.

Sarah Thompson sister to the above (Lucy) was a girl of much promise. learned fast. two years ago her father took her from the school & gave her to Mr. Nathan for a wife. Mr. N. rejected her yet she is regarded at Mongray as Mr. N's wife I judge she leads rather a loos life. She has been a member of class: and I think of the Church.

Fanny — was a fine girl. was prostituted by Bunyan and became pregnant by him while Mr. Thompson was at Raw Mende. After he left I sent her away not knowing of whom she was pregnant Bunyan being my adviser but I learned all soon after. Where she is now I know not.

Nancy — was member of Church. married a mission boat man who was also a member of Church. her husband was killed by an Elegator while attempting in a fit of intoxication to cross a river. She is in the country some where I know not where. She used to appear well when at K.M.

Betsey Johnson. has married a steady religious man. lives at K.M. is a member of Church: does well.

Peggy Johnson. was one of the larger girls. was a member of class & I think of Church. is married at K.M. is a strong woman.

Hannah Bevel, one of the larger girls at the Mission, has always been a strange girl. Was I think prostituted by Bunyan. Has been known to be free with the mission boys. Has been a member of church. Was hired by Mr. Gay for vile purposes, but dismissed because she was then keeping James Anderson. Has been known to be an accomplished thief. Married at Ft. Gibson. Her husband left her, then she left Thomas Curtis (School boy) until nigh the time of her delivery at which time I think I believe were members of church.

Mary William, was one of the earlier girls in school, was married just before I came to Spring, was member of church, kept a several three or more different men at different times (She says E. H. Green is one) is now a member of class or church, was at sacrament the first of July though Greene believes is not more old less than a year. She seems to want to be good and will be bad.

Lily John was a fine little girl, went to N.H. from K.Ia. Was a few weeks since detected in letting the Cook come there at an unseasonable hour. Was found to have indulged in this practice for a long time. They were married.

Sally & Eliza Bunyan were school girls have both been prostituted by Bunyan. One is left him now at Tuscarora the other is with his wife in Ill.

Margaret has always been a fine girl and is now a good pious woman. Married at Ft. Gibson.

Edith Thomas has been 5 or 6 years at school, has been a member of church, has not strayed but is far from a consistent walk for N.H. I have given reasons to believe she is far from conversion. She is here now.

Eliza Jane Raymond the last of the large girls I now remember is still at the Mission doing pretty well I believe, is member of church learning fast. Mr Leff writes of her quite favorably but a few days since. There are other girls quite large but do not belong to the class I have been mentioning.

Now my dear Brother I have given you a brief statement relative to each of the older boys connected with our Mission. and I know you are ready to say it is sad one, yet after all some good has been done even to those who have proved the worst; the restraining grace of God through the influence of what they have seen and heard at the Mission will have its effect on the life. It may be but little but that little will be felt by others.

There is a bright side to this picture you will notice the names of some good young men who we may reasonably expect will become useful members of our mission. These though few are worth 10 times the sum we have expended for the good of all. when we take in to account the value of your native help in our Mission I do not think this estimate is too high. Dollars and cents cannot buy the services which deep piety will offer to the cause of Christ here.

Our labor is not in vain, we do reap and though it be but a handfull it shall yet shake the institutions and customs of this heathen people as Lebanon. God hath wrought a good work in choosing and fitting a few for his own service. Besides the younger class of boys we expect more from them than the class mentioned above. They are under a stronger influence. We are able to do much more for them than has been done for the others

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There is one remark I would like to make in closing this singular communication. The Dickers are working and will yet work great evil in the mission. They have a great many children at the mission who they wish to be educated enough to trade in the divers and as soon as they are qualified to do so, no 2 one will be left unknown" to get them from the mission. And it is most certain that some of our Dicker boys of the highest promise will yet be lead away. They care not about their religion or principle. They know too well their power to work evil. They know Africans sin and how to tempt their children to fall from all their resolutions. Can they get them to rob it them but two or three times after they are fit for trading the work is done. A girl is instructed to rob it their beds and practice on them the vile & infamous arts of the seducer. There is no need of going by and their the will is broken conscience stunned the heart depraved, spirit driven and the poor victim left to yet without heart or will to flee from sins downward way.

For the Dickers I have but little hope. Some few may escape while the majority will turn back to the vile habits of heathenism.

Are you discouraged. Say not so, leave that for us to say for we see & feel what you only hear of. We are not discouraged though we are often sad & sick yes heart sick.

Pray for us and the children of our mission that they may be kept from the evil.

Your unworthy Missionary

J. Thos. Brooks

Rev. J. L. Brooks

July 31, 1855

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7090
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Indianapolis Ind. July 31st 1855

Lewis Tappan Esq.
Treas. American Missionary Association

Dr Sir – The following is the list of persons contributing to the Funds of the Association for the Mendi Mission, Collected by Mrs. Sarah C. Blair. of Perrysville Ind.

Daniel Purcell	$1.00
Isaac N. McFeely	1.00
David Sherfy	.50
Jacob Fully	1.00
C. S. Vickers	1.00
W. A. Lawless Esqr	1.00
James A. Foland	1.00
John Dunlap	1.00
W. P. Allen Esqr.	1.00
Isad Abdill	1.00
Mrs. M. E. Small (no paper)	.25
Thos. H. Smith	1.00
David Smith junr.	1.00
Frances M. Sherfy	.50
John Webster	.50
G. W. Griffith	1.00
G. H. ~~Smith~~ English	1.00
J. F. Smith	1.00
Benjamen Holbcomb	1.00
Mrs. John Kirkpatrick	1.00
Herbert Ferguson	1.00
	$18.75

	18.75
Asaph Hill Esqr –	1.00
Mrs. Dr Clark	.50
Mrs. Mary A. Baxter	.50
Joseph M. Smith	1.00
Mrs. Eunice Henderson	1.00
George H. McNeill	1.00
Mrs. Sarah Givens	.50
R. J. Gedde	2.00
Mrs. Martha Anderson	.50
	$26.75

Eugene – Indiana –

R. W. Waterman M.D.	1.00

Attica – Indiana –

Mrs. Amanda S. Hanna	.50 ✓
Samuel Coleman Esqr.	.50 ✓
	$28.75

Collected by S. J. Lee –

From Perrysville Indiana

From A. Friend (for outfit of Dr Lee)	4.00 ✓
Hon. James [redacted] –	5.00 ✓
	37.75

Annapolis Indiana – –

A. H. Lee .50 – W. E. Lee .50 –	1.00
John J. Campbell – – –	.50
	1.50
	$39.25

L. Tappan Esq.

Dear Sir – Enclosed you will find $40. being the amount collected, as per list on former page. Mrs Blair, the Lady who collected the most of it has also contributed herself, but we do not know the exact value yet of her contribution it will be forth coming soon. She is the wife of Hon. James Blair. both of them are warm friends of the cause, and will contribute annually. Her efforts have been untiring and successful in spite of the opposition of a pro-slavery Methodist influence.

Please send the American Missionary to to the foregoing persons, also to Rev. Wm. L. Buffett, the "Friend" who contributed toward our outfit.

I am on my way to your city to be ready to sail when arrangements are completed. Should you wish to send any communications to me direct them to Cincinnatti, until the 7th inst. Care of Prof. Curtis Box 910. You may show this letter to the Rev. George Whipple if you please.

I have forwarded my goods. 2 boxes & 2 barrels – by way of Toledo. Care of C. St. King & Co. They will send you a manifest of the bill of lading, and ship the goods Hunts, Lowber & Smyths No. 1 Front St. New York. They were shipped on the 21st of July from Perrysville and will arrive in N.Y. in about 3 weeks. They will remain on storage at the above firm until I call for them, but will you be kind enough to enquire about them at the time of their expected arrival.

I do not know where I may be at that time but will inform you so that I may learn of their safe and timely arrival.

The .75 cts above the amount I send myself in order to have two $20 bills. You may send the American Missionary to George Lee Annapolis Parke Co.

Please send the August Number and from that on to the donators. I think great good will be accomplished by diffusing abroad a knowledge of the opperations of the Association in Indiana.

I am endeavoring to keep before me the great need of a baptism of the Holy Spirit to prepare and sustain us for the arduous labors before us. Trusting in the Arm of God for strength I rejoice in prospect of so glorious and useful undertaking. Desiring an interest in your prayers in view of it - I remain

Your Brother in Christ
David J. Lee

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Letters rec'd from Africa, by Brethren Shuey and Rumler.

J. S. Brooks. Boom Falls. April 12/55

Some trouble from boys. Accusations against Wm Brooks teacher.

Meetings are sustained & interesting, Mo Bunge Tissanda Mo. Togi. Sumbwa Mo Colong

Building gone on slowly. Rains every week during the dry season. Hope to get the house ready in May. Not much attention to farming.

page 3. description of country over which he travelled. hilly & rough. He thinks the hill country is healthy

J. S. Brooks. Apr 14/55 Why Bro. Lefft. is at Mo-Toppem.

1. Would have to be at Good Hope & is no lover of children
2. Stay in town too long & conformed too much to English customs.
3. Think Lefft. gave preference to English
4. Not as prudent as some.

The season of acclimation one of trial. Men proverbially meek & gentle become irritable & retaliating

2d Shut. Dr Cole. Wants of the stations. Danger that some of the stations must be vacated, Think that Burton & Cole & Miss Blerick must come home before May 1856. Thoughts on the climate. The Kittam as a field of labor. Plea in its behalf, also for the Boom.

Plans for the future.

J. S. Brooks. Apr 21/55. Slave trade, & efforts to suppress it. (Map) the United Brethren. Resolutions on War.

Mission Expenses

J. S. The death of an awakened heathen

J. S. B. May 3. Meeting of Mission &c. &c and Resolutions passed.

J. S. B. May 17. 1855. Acclimation of Mrs B. contrast with Miss Benton. Pledge Missionaries

1. To take advice of Elders
2. Not to adhere to any one "pathy"

Causes of James death.

Climate compared with lower Mississippi

Cautions to be used.

May 23. Darien is still improving.

T. G. Cole. April 14. Wants. Interest.

" May 22. 1855. Will send specimens. Wants.

Account of specimens.

Comments on bills &c.

J. C. Jeffs. 29 Mch. 1855.

Location at Mo Lappan.

Fever apparently to be had

Likes his location. Pleased with his fellow laborers.

Wants Gold pen, & pen holder & bottle copying ink.

About the $110. rec from Mr Hills.

J. C. Jeffs. April 14. Review of the reasons why he was not stationed at Good Hope.

Geo. Thompson. Mch 31/55. Leopard fight. 1 doz Leopard or Bear traps. "The jaws when shut sh be 8 or 10 inches high. Wants them so strong as to take two men to set them.

Wants them for there.

About the Ch. of accuracy.

G. Thompson Ap 4. to Committee. Want male help.

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3. of letters from Africa.

G. Thompson Ap 14, 1858 Health.
Satin Books. About his brethren.
Facts for Free, Liberia
P. S. Ap. 16. At Wlamu time.
G. Thompson April 24.
Left at Kaw Mendi, an
interesting scene. on the Sabbath.
health good.
Fears the U. Brethren have not
been long enough to know the people.
G. Thompson's, review of Sheys
letters.
G. Thompson May 2/58. Jane Winter's illness.
Dr. Cole & Mrs Allen.
Curiosities for his father.
About the rules &c. Must come home if
the rules, adopted by the Ex. Com.!
G. Thompson, May 5. After Jane's death,
sends ~~to~~ sent home. pray Br. Morgan.
G. S. May 10. about Mr. for A. T. Doe
& P. S. May 21. The Scrol is working
at Kaw-Mendi.
About Burton &c.
G. Thompson to Wise April 25 & 28.
Jane brot on her fever.
1. by going to the river to see to the girls washing
2. by getting wet feet + not changing
3. by labor & exposure for a sick child.
"Jane would work hard" could not be controlled
Mch 10. 2 Baptized & led to church.
April 9. Jane fell on her head from
buggy & quite stunned her
April 8. A day of great interest in
the church. the power of God was present to heal.

April 12 good time
Jane was deeply affected at the blessed night.
April 20. The Dr at Rio Mendé.
Rumular sick. Burton sick. all well

Mem. Tobacco. Oranges. Shake hands. burying.
Heathenism. Dress. Eating. Gun fire.
T. G. Cole, and his feeling.
D. W. Burton & Mrs Burton.
G. T. hastings.

African Letter.
by Abney
July, 1855

Mendi Mission, Sherboro Country, West Africa.
New Mendi Station, Aug. 1855

Lewis Tappan Esq. Treas. A.M.A.
48 Beekman St New York.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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My Dear Brother

Your letter of May 1st/55 is before me. It arrived some weeks since. But before I notice it particularly permit me to say a closing word about the little matter of business I left undone when I last wrote to you and brother Whipple from Good Hope March 15th. I refer to the one hundred dollars sent by you in Sept. 1852 by my father Hezakiah Hills of Pekin or Cambrick N.Y. I say P. or C. from the fact that he was living in the town of Cambria but his Post Office was Pekin. His letter to me announcing that he had sent the money to you is dated Sept. 27. 1852. Let me give you an extract or two.

"Dear Neglected friend & brother James"

"You have reason to think that you are forgotten by us. My only apology is I have put it off from time to time, wishing to send you a present of one hundred dollars & 00. — as a donation. O! James your name is engraven on my memory along with that of Clarissa's and is a ministering spirit, and you a pilgrim here below. Your last visit awakened a deep sympathy toward you & Elizabeth."

Mr Hills Aug. 30/55

I thought when I received your last letter, that I should be able to help you in the Spring, but was disappointed. I send a letter to Lewis Tappan Esq. a Draft of one hundred dollars, a donation to you as a Missionary. I hope that we shall be so situated as to do more for you. This I think will be sufficient on this subject. If you think that it is mine, in the sense that if I ever need it, I ought to have the priviledge of drawing for it, well, if not why let it rest so. The Lord will give me all that it is safe for me to have. The other £10 was acknowledged from Mrs L. G. B. Hills Oberlin Ohio in the same paper with the one hundred. She wrote that her husband, a son of Elizabeth Hills, before his death wished her to send me £5, and that she had added £5. Now making £10. for my private use. But enough. I know not but you will think, now that I have written so much about £ $ that I must be in love with money. If I know myself this is not so. I only wish it at my disposal, if from failure of health or other cause myself or family should find ourselves in necessitous circumstances. Is this wrong? It would save me the necessity of applying to the A. M. A under the supposed circumstances. Do as you think will please the Lord.

I wrote to you Feby 14th March 15th and 29th and July 7th. But yours of May 4th is all that has yet reached me.

I shall look for others when we again get a package from dear America.

I am much interested in the brief obituary of our good father Jackson. I was much interested in him the first time I met him at Rochester, in 1850, and from that time to the time I last saw him, I could not but love him.

Now to your letter of May 1st. You say, "Sad thoughts will cross the mind sometimes in view of past scenes of friends left behind - of native country forsaken - &c." This my brother is true to a certain extent. But I can assure you that all these were not to be compared with what I have been called to meet on mission ground. In these matters I can assure you that but for faith I am confident that I should have looked back many times while here the first and also the present time. If my faith was in man I certainly should not expect to reach the goal or to obtain the prize or receive the victors wreath." But in Christ I rejoice. Do not suppose that I am losing confidence in man so much as to be about turning hermit. I find much in him that I think is noble. But there are exceptions.

After what you said about my some two letters making you expect to hear every arrival that I had abandoned the mission, I do not feel at liberty to write as freely about the things which affect our plans unfavorably as I used to write. And as I think it for your interests as a member of the Ex. Com. to know, I refer to the conversation we had in your bro Whipple's & bro Jocelin, and I, in bro Whipple's room just after I arrived in N.Y. a year ago last June. I think I told you that I would try to be on my guard not to discourage you with such letters again. I will endeavor to keep my promise. Things look a little cheerfully but our Cor. Sec's business is to keep you posted up on these matters so I will not particularize. I hope to get a full answer to my letter to you and bro. Whipple of March 18th by the first arrival. I am anxious to know how you view the course I then pursued. I did what I then thought & still think was best under the circumstances, altho. against your instructions

Of one thing you may be assured by the grace of God filling my heart. I shall strive while I stay, whether longer or shorter, for peace and unity. Yes, if I am not mistaken, I am willing to suffer for so desirable an end. I suppose that Bro. Shuey & Kumler may have told you that at our last meeting before they left Bro Brooks introduced a resolution pledging all & each of us to give up all bickerings & labor for peace & harmony, but he could not get it passed. I seconded it with a sincere heart, I think. Br. Thompson was not present. The prospects now are that the Mohammedans will prevent us from obtaining a foothold at Nila. Under these circumstances we are obliged to stop and ask what will our Father have us do next. I heard from Br. Brooks about one week since. His lungs are quite troublesome & he thinks that as soon as he can get away, he will be obliged to seek a change for a time in some direction. Br Brooks I consider one of the greatest moral heroes of the age. I do not believe that there is more than one in a thousand who would have remained & suffered what he has from the climate & its effects upon his legs, spleen, & lungs since his last return. Drs Cole & Kumler told him last May that he must go to America immediately. But his devotion leads him to stay. I fear that he is breaking down entirely. I think my soul was benefited by my sickness in May & June. I think I do truly wish & design to be conformed to the will of God in all things! If we are not again headed off by the leaving of our associates or something of the kind we expect to move to Japfnan in a few weeks. We are pretty comfortable just now. With much love to all your family from wife & self I am as ever your brother & missionary J. Cole. Left

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NEW-YORK, the 13th day of August 1855

Josiah D Hatch

Bill of lading
Brig Falmouth for Sierra Leone
Aug 13/55

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Dennis, Mass.
Aug. 14. 1855.

Dear Sir/

Possibly, you may not have forgotten Miss Hannah Howes, who called upon you some time during last winter, to consult you, in reference to her becoming a Missionary in Africa. — She, about that time, acquainted me with her feeling in relation to this object, and being Pastor of the Church of which she is a member, I have closely observed the development of the Missionary spirit in her. I thought, that the feeling might wear off, but I perceive, that it is constantly becoming stronger in her. — She is a most exemplary Christian, energetic, industrious, and persevering under difficulties.

This summer, she has been blessed with a remarkable Revival among the Children, she has had under her charge. — She seems to possess those elements of character, which are essential to the true Missionary, and it is the opinion of those who know her best, that she is fitted by nature, and grace, for active labor in some Foreign Field. — I am writing without her knowledge, but I have long felt it to be my duty, to call your attention to her case, and ask you again to consider the propriety of employing her in the African Field. —

I shall be most happy to answer any question, which you may propose relative to herself. — I am Yours truly

Rev. Geo. Whipple. —

B. Eastwood.

Rev. B. Eastwood
Dennis, Mass
Aug 14/55

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New Mendi Aug 17/51.

Dear Br George - Daniel & Wife came this morn at 3 o'clock - & as Susan & I wish to go to Town, to recruit her health, & recreate myself a little, we expect to return in the Canoe & G H - so I write a note -

Susan has had 3 attacks of Chill & fever - the first two were each of only 1 week duration - & 2 weeks between them - the last continued over 2 weeks before she was able to be about the house again -

But Wife's Journal. (to Wife) gives particulars - Read, & forward to her, wherever she may be -

I have sent 6 original pieces of Music to my cousin J Thompson, Rahway NJ - to be kept at the office, till he calls for them, which will be soon, after he gets my letter - for he is in the City often - but cant you get some one to catch off a copy, before they go? They can all be copied in one day. Br Belden's son could do it, & some one else

a one of Bro. Jocelyn's daughters – a Harriet –
But whoever does it tell them to be exact & get it
them right. I want you to have a copy at the
Office. You will be pleased with some of them.
We sing them all here – with much delight.
The object of this note is to suggest to you to get a
copy of them if possible, before they go. –

Yours Geo Thompson

Tell suggests I mention the names of our Assistants – They are
rather changeable – but at present. E H Green & Wife – at Mangya –
James John & Wife here – Wm Pitt & Wife McTappan out Stations –
& Jonas T Cyprian. McTappan out Stations –

Get me "Emblems & Allegories" printed in
Cincinnatti, by John H Johnson
& send, soon, if I can't come home.

Geo Whipple.

Read this first

Rev. Geo. Thompson
Aug 17. 1855

Rev. H. W. Goodwin
Rockford Ill
Aug 21, 1855

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Rockford. Aug. 21st 1853.

Mr Whipple

Dear Sir

At Miss McGrain's request, I forward to you her final decision in regard to the question which has so long occupied her mind. You will find it enclosed.

As her pastor permit me to add that I acquiesce most heartily in this decision, opposed as it seems to the advice of some wise and good men. I think it has been made deliberately, prayerfully, and wisely, and hope that God's blessing may attend it and her.

In coming to this decision she has simply followed the conviction of duty in her own heart.

which indeed has been "fixed" from the first. - only her mind has been a little distracted by "the multitude of counsellors." - "and a woman's heart is sometimes wiser than ten men that can render a reason." - especially one so consecrated & single to the glory of God as hers appears to be.

It is not without regret for the loss of so sweet & devoted a Christian character that we part with her thus prematurely, but we have no right to detain her from a work for Christ, for wh. she seems so well prepared already -

Hoping that she may accomplish much good in the field to which she is called I remain

Yours very truly

A. M. Goodrich

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Dayton O Aug 23d 1853

Lewis Tappan Esqr
New York

Dear Sir — Yours of Monday last is recieved. We drew but one check or three of like date and amount for the entire amount called for by the letter of credit (£340,0;0) and sold it to Mr Jno Ezzidio Esqr of Freetown. I presume he sent it immediately to the house in Liverpool so as to prevent delay in the collection of the money. This draft for the whole amount was signed by W. J. Shuey & D. R. Flickinger. No other draft has been drawn. All is doubtless right.

Very Respectfully
Yours
Wm. J. Shuey

My address is Dayton Ohio care Telescope Office instead of Telegraph office as written on your letter and one recd from Bro Belden

W J S.

AMERICAN ARCHIVES
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Wm J. Sheley
Dayton, O.
Aug. 23/56
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Boom Falls Station, Quelli Mission
Mozambique, August 28th 1885

Rev. Rev. A. Wheeler, Cor. Sec.
A. M. E. Ch. 38 Bethune St. N.Y.

My dear Brother.

I am happy to write you again so soon after my last communication, since we are now so far settled in our "new home," and have the work of our station in order. Almost the first effort made was to get a school opened at Chimbara, and start meetings there. We were happily succeeded in our effort, and rather unexpected, we met with a very warm welcome. The Chief, Jemana, after getting the consent of his people, threw open his own house for the school, and called all the little ones of his family to learn book. In a few days the school numbered 17. It now numbers 19 and the prospect is that we shall soon have more. So interested is the old Chief in this matter, that he has sent abroad to other members of his family, and his associate chiefs, to invite them to send their children to his school. He often takes his seat with the pupils and says with them his A. B. C. until he is now able to read some little words of two or three letters. The children are also highly interested. A few days since the teacher was unable to get to the school. The children unwilling to lose their day, assembled in their school, and elected one of their number to be teacher pro. tem. and went through their lessons. Often the teacher meets them [illegible] repeating the lessons they have been over. They are also learning to sing which pleases them much.

Connected with the School we have preaching on the Sabbath and publick prayers daily. The meetings are unusually full and interesting. The Chief has commanded that the trading be suspended during the Sabbath and most effectually sustains his command, so that in Sambroea there is no selling or buying on the Lords day. He is prepared to go further and stop all work on Sabbath for the School & meetings.

Germania is the same Mr Thompson speaks of at his peace meetings as the mouth is larger for the Queen Mag-gow. He is now labouring under an affliction some like the deseas which took Straw out of the world. He fears he shall not be able to keep up the Sabbath regulations on account of his ill health. We feel much encouraged by our success this year.

The School at [redacted] has been reopened with brighter prospects than formerly. The School numbers 16, the meeting is also sustained with some promise of good.

For these Schools we find clothes & books. The clothes are an inducement to get pupils. The parents wish their children clothed will send them to school. The clothes are worn only while they are in school which is some incentive to them to provide for themselves clothes when out of school.

The school at New Colony (Mr Graves) is still without a teacher. I am much troubled about it. I feel that we are under strong obligations to sustain it. ~~[illegible] & with Brethren to commit~~ ~~turn~~ his attention ~~to the Bonny~~ rather than to the upper Shenbow districts. Mr Graves the labor of opening will be much less than at any other place from the fact that the first steps have been already taken. That School must be sustained. I am prepared to do all in my power to keep it up.

At Mr Jappan's School is still under the care of William who is trying to get a teacher for the children. We have 16 in all connected with the School. The family [illegible] and his intended wife & girl engaged to be married are carpenters apprentices who are only temporary members. Number 13. 5 of whom are girls. We have got them much more comfortable than they have been before but have not been able to finish their rooms yet for want of lumber. They seem to be unusually happy and contented. We are trying to dress them as much alike as we can. Clothing which we get from donations are usually made up in all shapes & styles so that a family of children clothed from them without any change made in them present a very heterogeneous appearance. The effect of such a variety in the individuals among such a family, collected from different families of different grades is far from good. We therefore, so far as we can, reduce the various cuts and fashions to a uniformity. This requires much labour and often gives a waste. On this account together with the advantage of giving our families labor and practice in cutting and making garments, I have before and do still give it as my opinion that our Mission families should be supplied with materials, and make their own clothes. I am not alone in this conviction. I think that full half of our company would join me in this declaration. At Rarotonga it is some different, but I believe it would be better for that station to make the clothes they need. There we get all things in order which will be about next March. I think that we shall be a happy and busy family. The children are more & more interested in what we are doing for them.

I may as well speak here of our other family arrangements. For some time we were quite anxious as to how we would get along for good help in the house. The boy I have had to cook &c. I wished to put him to trade. Besides we desired to place woman in her place and man in his. When we arrived at Mt Jaffna we found an elderly lady formerly an inmate of the Governor's (acting) family we procured. This regard in the light of a kind Providence. We secured her services and find her a good help. Mrs. Pitz assists in sewing so that we are pretty well provided for.

Mrs. Brooks health is pretty good though she suffered some from ague & fever. Her ague is of a different type than any I have before seen. She has been sick three days in succession once and twice two days. Yesterday two days single chill & fever and she quite hard. The fever increasing for the most part from chill to chill. Her last attack was of six days duration from which she is now just recovering. She is some inclined to overdo which is one of the greatest difficulties with acclimating persons. Yet for the most part she is commendably careful. Her spleen is slightly affected as well as her liver. From what we learn she has had in this climate I judge she will have pretty good health here for a foreigner. May God grant the mercy.

As to my self I feel that I must have a change soon. I have had a cough with slight spasmodic affection of the bronchi, the night air is damp and I cannot bear it as long as the heat is gone the windows & doors must be all shut and some days I am so sensitive to change of air that I cannot go out of my room in the evening. The dry season is now soon expected when I hope for better health. Though I pray much the heart sinks

(Sheet No. 2)

Some of the time I have felt that I must visit America soon, but I cannot leave here yet, until this house is finished, and I see all our plans for this place in successful working. Were it not for this desire, I should at once seek health by a voyage. My dear wife often reminds me of the fact that I am failing, and need a change. I feel and know the truth of it. I do well not to feel some solicitude on her account, if not for my own. In my own account I dare venture another dry season and now, come life, come death. But I feel that others are interested, and that I am bound by a double obligation to care for my health. I may on this account, feel it duty to return, any time to return to America. But it is the desire of us both that we may have health to remain two years longer, or at least till next August.

The season has been exceeding wet, and rain has fallen in floods compared with other years. The aged tell me that they have not seen the river so high for 20 years as it has been this year. They said that 20 years ago they had just such a flood, but it was more gradual in coming and retiring. The present was so sudden that it gave the people no time to remove. A great portion of the towns on the banks of the Brom have been flooded so that the houses have been filled so with water that canoes are taken into them to coach the effects of the inmates for removal. And those who have been so indolent to move have had to fit up scaffolds to sleep on for coming. The greatest loss has been in the waste of rice. Many fields of rice have been destroyed.

The excessive wet weather has injured the farmers much this year. So the natives will have small crops. There is an unfortunate circumstance, and I fear will materially effect the peace of the country. The people must have a living. If they cant get by

Will take - take by strong - by palaver - by war - by any and every
way they can. The country is full of young men who want a
little cash - a little will do them, but where can they get it. Not
from the farm for they have none of their own. The farms belong
to masters here, the poor laborer gets some when master has
plenty - but when he has too little to meet his wants, the poor
mans toil is unrequited. What must the young men do to
get his few wants supplied? Some have been here this month
supposing they had solved this question. They have come for work
come from a distance and returned without work come again
time after time till it was tired of telling them, I could hire
no more help and they tired of being refused work.
All honest ways failed them what must be done? War &
plunder is the old way. And it still promises a reward.
Mangamoo is still at Boomfey trying to get up a war
he has three principle chiefs with him. One at Bogo a
large town east of Iyongo. One at Iyama one
at a place further interior N E of Iyongo. Iyongo
is the country to be sacked. These chiefs are agreed in
all but the head quarters for the war. Spies have en-
tered Iyongo already and report favorably. They keep
themselves perfectly informed of their movements & their
spies. So far they succeed. Small scouting parties have
entered the borders of Iyongo and caught prisoners
and provisions. What the dry season will bring to
light we know not but war will take place some
where. Iyongo may have her glory away we know
not. She may be prepared to do her own work
here. We hope our fears and hopes. Will Langton

I have often thought a plantation started here would be of great value to this country. It would be attended at first with great expense but in the end it would be profitable. This people want labor. If they do not learn habits of industry, it will be hard to stay their minds on any subject. Idleness is the worst evil the human heart affords for lack of grace, they rot for want of air, moisture and light. If this people were an industrious people the gospel could not be preached without its effects. Industry gives activity to the soul point and vigor to thought. But why do I mention a thing so impracticable. As well talk of producing fine grapes without the vines. The time may seems to be lost in vain beside all waters for thou canst not tell which will prosper this or that. Oh, little faith we show by looking for the conversion and elevation of the heathen but on any other principles than those Christ hath taught.

The palaver I mentioned some time since occasioned by one of the Chiefs robbing my men has been settled. The money has been restored to me, the Chief who robbed my men is exonerated from blame, and the blame place on a third party. The cost of the palaver to the Station has been about 20 bars or about $20 dollars. A repetition of the act will not be likely to take place.

I have recently had a slight difference with the Chief about timber but I hope it will be settled without any heart burnings.

I learn incidentally that Br. Bowler has gone up Leta and is now about to examine cape Palmas. It does seem time of this was a premature move, since we are loaded at our present station. The Boom is very loaded to much and is as unhealthy as any place we can find. Mr. Bowler's objection I learn is that it is too far from the Colony and Good Hope. I have written on the

August 31st Mr. Cyprian a young man whom I had formally with me has come to get a school. He is quite an efficient young man though not very well qualified to teach advanced scholars. I am just making arrangements to reopen at Mr. Colony or open a school at Mr. Fogie. I rather think the latter. William will take this school if it is opened. Mr. Irlson who was at Mr. Colony some months since writes from Freetown that he and his wife will soon join me again and conduct the Mr. Colony school.

Williams Mother has sent to get more of her children in school. She strongly desires to have her children educated and will do anything in her power to get a school at her place Nyandihoo below Yela. I regard her invitation and proposition to William to influence him to come and teach the school an opening of peculiar interest. It is of the right kind as it proposes to do something for the school as well as feed and clothe the children. As soon as I can consult with her I will let you know more particulars.

About the matter of a stipulated allowance to our missionaries I can only add that I communicated the propositions of Mr. Burton & my own views to my associates at Kaw Mendi but have had a reply only from Mr. Jeffs they choosing to give their views separately. Mr. Jeffs is in favour of it only on condition that it will settle our difficulties on all other considerations he is opposed to it.

My dear wife joins in high regards and christian affection

Your unworthy Missionary

James Brooke

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Rev. Geo. Thompson
to Sec. Cong. Sept 17/57

To the Committee of A. M. E. Conference

Beloved Brethren, You see I am in Iowa. I have been here one week, the day I wrote you last, my wife, Susan Worley's health, I partly to rest myself a little for, for more than 1½ years, I had been with me, in continued strain of mind & body, & I felt somewhat worn. We in good health.

We all felt that rest & change would be a great benefit to me. And Susan felt that a salt water ride, the change of air would be the thing above all others. Not wishing to be sitting on the water, always recruited her in America. So I resolved to venture the first steamer & get to Iowa with her, which was heartily approved by Bro Taft, & Bishop Morris. And this seemed to be the only steamer to get away, while Bro Taft, was remaining there a few weeks, till the Rains abated a little, so that he could be with his family.

Accordingly when Bro Burton & wife visited Taft in the canoe, with an awning, I resolved to start for G.W., & find a passage to Iowa. Bro B. & wife disapproved of Susan's going to Iowa in a canoe this Rainy, rough Season. but they did not dissuade us, I had taken Susan's case, in hand.

We spent the Sabbath at G.W. where I preached. Susan was much worse than at T.M., & for a week she could not sit up but a few minutes at a time. The Doctor said I did all he could. & the last, to prevent me from taking Susan in a canoe, to Iowa, & to dissuade her from going. I knew what I was about, & said but little. Susan said she felt it would do her good. & by taking hold myself, the canoe was prepared, & fully examined, & we prepared to start. Susan had to be carried to the canoe. They all thought & said it was a presumptuous move. but I felt confident, I was right.

We stowed off about 4 P.M. on Tuesday. Susan felt the invigorating effect at once, & said she was afraid it would be over too soon. At about the time: "I wish this could last a week." We were 4 days & nights making the passage, on account of the laziness of the men. We lay over 30 hours on sand, & mud "Banks", at different places. Lost one anchor the first night, & the jet Susan, improved all the time. Slept well. better than at home. a GH. appetite, & grew stronger almost every hour.

So that when we started from Kent, (where we landed 5 hours) she walked to the canoe. a distance a long "Block" with little wearing. And when we arrived here, after a tedious, dangerous night, (on account of the stubbornness, & laziness of the men) she walked from the Wharf to Ezekiel's. about 3 blocks, in the City!! And she continues to improve, & strengthen. sews, knits, eats, walks, &c. So that should she now die, I see not how any blame can attach to me or her, for coming as we did.

This week, on Tuesday, (1 week from leaving GH.), she walked, a ¼ mile or more. & yesterday, she rode about 4 miles. So you see how fast she is improving. Give God the praise. How long we shall stay here, will depend (1) on her health, (2) on getting a passage back. (3) Whether we get a chance to go down to Liberia, which we desire & intend. know of no chance now.

I here find Br. Beale, & Wife, as cordial, & hearty as ever. & he opens his pulpit to me as usual. his school-room & lets me have his horse & carriage to ride in.

We are boarding with Mrs Sumner, an American woman who has been out here many years. Within 2 or 3 years, she married a Capt. Sumner, from New York, who is now here. They are very kind, open hearted, & obliging to us. She is a Baptist. He is a non-professor. but exceedingly "good hearted", as they say. We have family prayers, night & morning, at which he always attends respectfully, seems to think highly of us.

I wish now to lay before you some subjects of great importance, at the present moment, of a vessel belonging to the Mission of Society.

Were there such a vessel here, to be employed in the coast trade when not needed to convey Missionaries & goods back & forth, it would soon pay for itself, as a mere matter of expense, but a source of profit, & perhaps, indeed, be a large income. Such a vessel would enable you to send your sick, & your Missionaries a comfortable, safe, & pleasant way to get down from Freetown & back to Freetown, when necessary. And when any are sick, if they could get on such a vessel, & go out to sea a few days, how many lives might be saved! There is no telling. It would, doubtless, conduce to the health & prosperity of your Mission here, more than any other means you could devise; the a means, under God, of rendering more permanent the stay of those who come out to labor. It would save many hundreds of dollars, & years of valuable labor, to the Mission, & Africa, which would otherwise be spent in going home, for health. This would, in a great measure, remove the necessity of going home; & at the same time, greatly extend the knowledge of your Missionaries, of Africa, & consequently enlarge their sphere, & capacity for doing good to Africa. For, in their trips, for health, up & down the coast, how much valuable knowledge might be gained, for the Society, the Church, & the world! —

I think all these considerations will commend themselves to your own good judgment. More might be added — but I will only say, this need has been felt, from the days of Ramond, to this time — & our present state of enlargement, this last time, has led it — we cannot go on — enlarge, or even hold what we have, without it — for the simple reason that you will not, I fear, be able to keep men in the field, long enough at a time, or in different seasons of the year, without such a means to preserve their health. I hope it is commended

If you will call for Dimmy, he will fully confirm this view of our having a vessel — so large as to be safe, with such a crew, & the amount of freight, & passengers, & preserving health, & saving time & expense.

It remains now to answer "Can it be done - & how?" I will answer.
Capt Sumner, expects to visit New York, by first of June - & he
would take charge of such a vessel, on reasonable terms - such as
would secure, & assist the Mission, & Society, & help himself at the same time.
He says that he can buy, in N.Y. such a vessel as is needed here
for the purpose, for $3000, or $4000, at the outside. But if you
say "We have not the funds to spare" - he says the vessel can be
bought on credit (as most vessels are bought, by those
engaged in the trade), & pay for it, as she earns it - & Capt. S.
told me, this morn, he thought, in one year, she would pay for herself
on this coast - & then she would be a continual source of profit
to us - in the view of health, & life, invaluable, so far as man can see.
Capt says, that we need a vessel of about 110 tons, American
measurement, which would make only 60, or 70 tons English - & such
a vessel goes out in here free of all Pilotage, which would be quite
a consideration. Such a vessel, could go to N.Y. & back, with goods, or
passengers, if needed - but it is designed to employ it in lawful
Coast trade, when not in the immediate employ of the Mission.
Capt Sumner, says he would take charge of the vessel, man it, & run
it - for half she would make - (the common way capts take vessels.)
Harbor fees, duties, &c are half borne, by the owners -
Capt Sumner, would select, & buy the vessel for you - you could
load it, with what you have, goods for the Mission - & such
legal goods for coast trade, as he thought would be good
4 to 6 Missionaries, & send him out with her -
I can recommend Capt S. as a good captain - kind & his mate, &
a trusty Agent, to manage the vessel, & your business - & cannot
too strongly urge upon you the need of entering into this plan
at once. You can't do it too soon. Delay is ruinous to us, & to
your cause here. Pray act promptly - & may the Lord direct you
in all things, to His glory. Do not wait to correspond - but just
send Capt Sumner back with a suitable vessel, & I will do the rest.

Let me know, if I can be any more help to you in this matter.

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2nd Sheet to Committee / 2nd. The need of an Agency here, in Freetown.

This subject has been presented before your minds, in days past, but I must beg to bring it before you again, on account of its importance. We are harassed continually, for want of it. Ezzidis does not give satisfaction - nor will any other merchant here, who has his own business, is not especially interested in the Mission. Our goods are not properly attended to - & oft we have to pay high prices, because there is none, but what the market, & he loves, of course to sell his own goods, at high price. Dr Cole is all out with him - & since I come now, I made a bill of nearly £7. for iron pots, pan & ovens, (which Ezzidis had not), & gave order on him for the cash - He was vexed with me, & talked considerably, because I did so - said he had no money, &c. And yet are not our Bills of Credit in his hand? -

Our Letters are not attended to. It was thro him, those numerous letters were sent by England, making high postage. And another case - This week, he gave me a letter, for Capt S., which he said, he thought dropped out of my pocket - I but it to Capt S. Oh! It was written to him by Burton 7 months since ago! - & he sent by Mail Steamer, to Akra - Cape Coast!

Again, when we come here, we have no home - It is wearing especially to feeble persons, to be among strangers, noise all the time, & unpleasant for any of us - & makes high cost - all which might be avoided, by having a house, & some one of our number here. -

Again, members here, now see the superiority of our School, & mode of teaching, to any thing they have in Sierra Leone, & are anxious to send their children down Mission - but when we refuse, they urge us to open a School in Town, & say we would have plenty of Scholars, or say so. - & here we might raise up teachers for our Interior Stations - And O! how much we need to have good, American, long preaching here. It would cause a great change in the appearance of things - & adorn pure Religion.

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Were it prudent for my Wife to come here, I would be willing to sustain $1000, if necessary, rather than not have a station here, & build a Chapel, & sustain regular preaching - But this I cannot do, to all human appearance - But there should be someone; appointed here, as soon as possible - & permission given either to rent some place, or to buy, a lot, & erect house & Chapel, to sustain a school, & preaching ——

As to the school, & agency, I would propose Bro Burton, & Wife - & urge their appointment, to this station, as business Agents, & school Teacher. I urge this. (1) Because Mrs B. is wholly dissatisfied with all the country away from town, so far - She has teased her husband much to go home - & has expressed herself unwilling to go either to Mclear, or to Bargros, even if stations were opened - principally from fear, in the unsettled state of the country. She despises Kaundi; & will not stay at Good Hope.

(2) Daniel expects to explore Cockbros River, with a view to planting a station on the point, near Plantains - but I don't think Mrs B will let him settle there, with any peace to his life.

(3) If Burton could be appointed, to Freetown, with a salary of $500, I think he can be held in the Mission, & be useful - otherwise I think his Wife will tease him, till he would soon go home.

(4) Burton is the best business man we have among us, & the best calculated to do the business we need, in Freetown.

(5) Mrs B. if she can be settled down, have a house of their own, & become contented in her mind, would make a valuable Teacher; & could take charge of a school here, till some gentleman Teacher could be obtained. ——

Now Brethren, this my candid opinion, that this will be the only course to secure Burton, & Wife, in the Mission - & they are capable, if they can only be interested. I hate to lose them. (6) They endure the climate well - Mrs B, has rugged health, can work like a slave - & Bro B, enjoys as good health here as in America. Pity to lose him

In case of Burton's being appd. to Freetown, I suggest that Bro Tefft be appd to Good Hope, as he is the only one among us, capable of managing that station satisfactorily, & getting along with the English, so as to gain a good influence over them. (But then what will become of Kaw-Mendi, if I go home soon to my wife? O! how we do need a number of good Laborers!)

Unless we can have some other one at G. H. the meetings there will be nothing - people will not come - even their nearest neighbors. If Bro Felkingen gets well, able to preach, he will do something - for he has a heart to try to save the souls of the Heathen -

But, tho we would make no palaver with Dr Cole, or bring any charges, yet such is his peculiar natural characteristics, that he will do no good in Africa, & we should be much better off without him. It is simply a fact, that he has not, & cannot get along with a single member of the Mission, except Mr B. Aldrich - He has tried Brooks, Tefft, Conant, Myself, Burton, the Ladies all - the living, & the dead - & no one (except Mr B.A.) can endure long to be with him. The English all despise, the native loves him - He is in a constant palaver with someone - Judge for yourselves, if he will be useful.

"But why was he appd. to Good Hope"? To keep peace - as you have been informed, I suppose, by Tefft. Brooks, & I both saw, as also Tefft, that to appoint Tefft to G.H. at the time the new ones came out, would be to raise a dreadful snuff, at once - for we knew that Mrs Tefft - & Mr B.A. could not bear Mrs Tefft - & Daniel B. had declared openly, that if Tefft was appd to G.H. he should oppose it publicly!!!! You see the trick -

Or if you should not choose to appoint Tefft to G.H. I think Burton might be saved, hopitably, by calling home the Doctor, & Mr B.A. & appointing Burton to G.H. but he will not stay there with the Dr. & Mr B.A. - Mrs B. cannot endure the latter, & I know of no one in the Mission that can but I & Cole - they only just to have been married long ago. -

Whenever Burton is appd, give him a salary, or he will not be satisfied. -

It is also a fact, that every new Missionary that comes out, in a short time, cannot endure either Dr C. or Mr B.A. So stands with Conant - They & others are stated for the Committee - not for the public - to know both sides - but to be kept to ourselves - & understandingly, what to do

Now Brethren, I have written plainly - as no other one in the Mission would dare to write to you - but I felt it my duty to give you a true view of things, just as they are, that you may know how to pray for us, & what to do. It is lamentable, & heart-rending, to be obliged to write such things - but the things are so, & you should know it. There is no quarreling at the Mission - that is not the feeling. Don't think I write thus, because I am out with any one - I am not - I wish to be on with any one, who will labor with me - even with the devil - but there could not be, unless he alters very much, confidence, & oneness.

I have written what I think the good of the Mission, & the welfare of the cause of God, here demands.

I would love to write nothing but pleasing things, but to blow, I deceive you thus, while things are as they are, would be base. I do not wish to hurt the C. & M. B. A. - I would with them, if they return to America, to go home, without a list of their conduct, always here, being known, to their discredit - but let them have all the chance possible, to get other situations, for themselves. Should I meet them - I desire to meet them as friends - as we now are - I would not injure them - but for the sake of the cause I am constrained to say what I have.

We must have more help - or give up some of our operations. Brooks must have help - If Taft goes there, he can get along for awhile. Chas. Mendi must have some one, soon - There is no man, on the ground, but myself, (and Dr. Lickinger) willing to take charge of that station. It needs some prudent, calm, firm, faithful man - Good Wife must have a minister - & there should be one here. O! may the Lord send Laborers, speedily. To call for them send as soon as possible, before there is a crash. May the Lord direct you in all things, & bless you.

Your unworthy Bro. & Fellow Laborer in the cause of God, I had from Brooks, it was twelve months with nothing, you in fact Pains - & probably the Taft was in advance, but about this work, May God bless you, & make Benton, Lickinger, & Mendi, with empty hands, & hearts, & minds, & wives, & families, very sickly, & the cause languishing - I fear.

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Mendi Mission, West Africa
Cape Cooper Station, Sierra Leone
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Rev Geo Whipple.
Corresp. A.M.A.
48 Beekman Street N.Y.

My Dear Sir — You will please find below a list of articles being the wants of Mendi Mission for the year upon which we have entered. These are in addition to what has been ordered heretofore. This order is based upon the specified wants of the different stations as given me, by a general request made to them by me for that purpose.

Begin with Provisions —

#3	bushels Corn Meal. ~~Hominy~~ ~~Dried meat~~	#250	lbs Butter
#3	" Dried Apples	150	" " Dried Beef
#2	" " Peaches	#100	" Cheese
1	" Good ~~clean~~ Wheat for Boats	6½	Bbls. Pickled Beef
1	" White Beans	3	¼ Casks " Cod Fish
3/4	" Split (Dried) Peas	#10	½ Bbls Flour
4	Boxes Wheaten Grits (28 #ea)	3	Cwt Beans

I have on my Mem: #3 ½ Bbls Graham Crackers, also #100 lbs Soda Crackers. #2 Bbls Pilot Bread. as these have been ordered before, I have not included them. ~~but~~ supposing it might be possible they would be coming in sufficient quantity. We received a ~~short time since~~ Graham crackers, Flour, Beef, & a few ~~goods~~ but these are but as wind. We have been without so long: only above have got from Freetown — provisions & Clothes at ado and prices — 3. The Perishable articles should be sent quarterly or as opportunity presents — others can be sent at once — # Perishable by mold or damp — or Worms.

I see also, Pickled Pork 4. ¼ casks – Bo. Mackerel. 3. ¼ casks
These also are ordered I think. The next Item is

Groceries.

✓ 4. Bbls Brown Sugar
✓ 2 ½ " Crushed (White) "
✓ 2 boxes Raisins. (in ¼ boxes)
✓ 2 Drums Figs
✓ 50 lbs Coffee. Roasted
✓ 30 lbs Bicarbonate Soda. (new 8 lbs in a Package)
✓ 20 lbs Cream Tartar (5 lbs Package)
1½ Doz Bath Brick.

✓ 4 Bottles Sweet Oil
✓ 3 Doz. Jams. in Variety
✓ 4 " Assted Pickles. 1 gt
✓ 4 " " " 1 gt.
a Part are for our neighbors
✓ 12 lbs Sago. (2 lb Packages)
✓ 1 Bbl. Extra boiled Syrup
✓ 30 boxes Pale Soap.

The other articles might be all sent at once & distributed to the Stations. as they preserve well – The Pale Soap & Bricks properly belong to the list of Sundries – but got in here. Soap is one of the best articles for small change we can get and is profitable.

The Hardware is. Much of it for Br Brooks Hous

16 Doz. 3 Inch Door Butts (Strong)
4 " 2½ " " " "
6 " Ea. 2 & 1½ " " " "
1 Gross Screws viz. 3/12. 6/14. 7/1. 12/3/4. 12/5/8. 8/1/2. 8/3/8. Inch
✓ 1 Doz Papers Each, of Blued Tacks, No. 4. 6. 8. 10. 12.
✓ 1 Doz Papers Each. Copper or Tinned Prompt Tacks. Size of No 8 & 10. Blued Tacks.
✓ 1 Doz Outside Door Locks –
✓ 4 " Cast Iron Door Buttons
✓ 3½ " Mortis Locks. for inside doors

✓ 1 Doz. (Strong) Door Bolts & Fixings
✓ 2 " Small Sized. " " –
✓ 6 " Wood Knobs for Drawers
✓ 1 Pr Steelyards. Weigh. not less than 50 lbs
✓ 6 Sheets of Tinn.
✓ 4 Pr Snuffers for trimming Lamps or Candles
✓ 4 " Trays.
✓ ½ Doz. Block tin Lamps
✓ ½ " " " Copper Pots
✓ 3 Doz. Cast Tin dippers
✓ ½ " Chamber Pails

4 Crook. Shanked. Socket. Cast Steel Hoes. with Ash handles. Tiffs.

2 Suction Pumps for Cattle one. to raise Water 12 ft. & one - 24 ft. Should not corrode. - also pipe for them. 12 ft. & 24 ft. that will not corrode or poison the water -

14 ft. 1 inch Lead pipe - Brass
6 " 1¼ " " "

18 doz. Ea. Pt Cups. & Basins Tin
18 " " 2 qt. 3 qt. 4 qt. 6 qt. 10 qt. Pans

3 " Asst Tin Pails (Flaring) from 4 qts to 12 qts -

½ doz Deep. Large Pans. Ears handles

12 doz Tin Wash Hand Basins
4 " Painted or Asst. " "
1 grop Tin Plates.
1 Farina double Boiler
12 grop Brunswick Table Spoons
. Tin for a roof to a house of 17 ft. octagon sides. Eaves to project 2 feet - Superficial Surface 2080 ft. Let there be allowance made for working in - also. 8 - 19 ft length of Eave trough. with two lead pipes to conduct the Water from the trough to the Wood pipe leading the Water down the side the house to the filter below — Brass &c.

1 grop Thimbles of various sizes for young Children & adults.
2 Papers. Worsted Needles
100 lbs Sad Irons
200 Papers. Needles. Sharps. Asst 5 to 10 -
100 double, No 1½, or Sewing Needle
½ doz. Ea. of Frames & Joiners Chisels Sizes ½ ⅝ ¾ 1 1¼ 1½ 2 inch - Good steel & Good temper send not those had heretofore have been most miserable excuses -
½ doz Cast Steel Hammers
2 — Screw drivers
3 Hand saws - Good - Large - 10 or 12 inch long
2 doz Three cornered. Cross cut Saw Files
1 doz Draw Head Hatchets
1 " Common "
1½ " Small cast steel Hoes
2 " Asst. Gimlets
4 set Iron Braces & bits. a -
2 doz Drawer Locks Asst
½ " 4 Inch Trunk Lock. Common
2 " Ea. 2 to 4 Inch. Box or Chest Locks

This may look like a large bill but only corresponds to orders send these things are growing in demand constantly. and a good supply of such articles goes far to cut off the necessity of buying English. clothes &c - Please send at once Pay next new

Drugs. Medicines & Paints

½ doz. bot. Colagua

✓ ½ " " Ta Lamont's Chandalgin

1 " Cheesemans "All healing Salve"

✓ 1 ½ " Chloride of Lime or

2 bot. Pure - & a small key

for disinfectant purposes in

drains - cat houses. &c, &c.

4 ℔ Gum Camphor

✓ 2 or 3 ℔ Pale Elm - Bark

✓ 4 ℔ " Cayenne pepper

2 qts Old Brandy

Holland's Cherry Bitters

Dry Goods

✓ 20 Pcs. heavy Unbleached Drills

✓ 15 " " " " "

✓ 4 " Bed-ticking good

✓ 3 " Brown Linen

✓ 20 " Blue Drills

✓ 12 Pcs Ea / Turkey Red Hdkfs. in variety. Costs 6 to 1.25 per doz.

✓ 4 ℔ /

✓ 1 doz. Pinguá Hdkfs. (Silk)

✓ 6 Pcs Crop Bared - White Muslin for Mission use. 12 to 15 cts per yd

✓ 6 Pcs Linsey Bleached Shirting

✓ 6 " Booth " "

✓ 6 " Cenion " "

✓ 3 Bales Brown Shirting

2 ℔ Sulph. Potash.

✓ 1 " Sage Leaves (Home Herbs) also

2 oz / Argenti Nitras. or / Nitrate of Silver.

✓ 4 ℔ Red Lead

~~to Gale Apothecaries~~

5 " Alcohol

2 " Castor Oil

White Paints & Lamp-black had been ordered. also some Medicines

Cotton Thread has been ordered but the following is requested - & you can please send - Coats best Spool - 6 cords

Doz	6	8	10	10	10	10	6	4	4	4
No.	12	16	20	24	30	40	50	60	80	100

✓ 10 yds Marking Canvas

✓ 1 Pc Cotton Canvas. at least or 50 yds

✓ 3 " Hickory Shirting

✓ 3 " Crash Toweling

✓ 10 or more Pcs / Table Cloths Fig.d Cotton

✓ 50 yds or full / Wide & Unbleached. 20 to 25 cts yd

✓ 2 doz / Ribbons. 2 inch & under, wide one or two Blue, one Pink.

✓ 1 doz. Ladies Wool Stockings.

✓ 6 " Ea. Black & White Tape

✓ 4 oz. Cofstee. Col.d Silk Thread

✓ 6 " Black " "

✓ 6 Pcs Piping

✓ 6 " Shalloon / Mfg Mole

✓ 3 Pcs Co Wadding Cord

✓ 20 Pcs. Jeanins. good. and other styles of Pantaloon wear; Cost no above 15 cts per yd

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Sundries

6 Pr. Strong No. 11 Slippers. (Thompson)
1 " No. 6 Thick Soled Shoes " Mrs
1 " " " Boots "
2 " " Cloth Shoes "
2 doz Horn Combs "
2 Pr Good Calf Shoes. (1/2 Brogans) Brooks
" Low Shoes " Cloth 4.19
1 " Gents Calf Shoe Lasts
2 Grs Palm Hats Good
4 Grs Fall Bottom Metalic
12 " Pants " "
4 " " " Horn, White
4 " Colr Agate Buttons for Ladies dresses - (Do. Cotton, do)
1/2 doz. Pr. Largest sized, Ladies Silk Gloves, also

4 doz Bibles (Ammelly)
6 " Testaments "
2 " Tracts & Primers "
1 Copy of Independent &
1 " " Childs Paper. a gift to J. B. Elliott for favors conferred on us - Freetown.
1 Copy of "New York Weekly Tribune" to John Ezekiel via English Mail -
2 doz. Boxes of Ayers Pills
4 Plain Shirts 12 X 18 or 18 inches or thereabouts.
(Pr Brooks is begging so hard for that 9 x 12 Glass that I have 6 months
Please do send a box if not sents

The above completes the list of wants so far as I have been able to ascertain. We can get common Earthen & Iron ware as well here as in America. We have been compelled to lay out large sums this year for goods & Provisions in Freetown because Br Burtons request of last fall & Winter have never been honored - at great expense and English & Colonial Prices We have had no Cotton goods (Brown) except English for over 6 months. No White drills for common pants - in great demand - No prints but a few Br Jeffs but that we can sell to any extent without loss - Much of our provision has come from Freetown. Flour $18.20, Pr Bbl, Pork $36, Beef 30 Butter, 36 to 40 cts Cheese, 40 cts - Ham, 20 cts. &c

The Stock reported on hand in Gen. Stor. was Goods & Provisions from Freetown

Month

I will take the liberty to add to list of Provisions. a ½ bushel of very course corn Meal. or Hominy. Well kiln dried—

We had hoped to be able to send this report of wants for the ensuing year before this but want of time to arrange and ascertain also what they would be. prevented; and then I hoped to make a list nearly full, when I might go to town. about the 1st of August— having very hastily put together the financial report ~~to town~~ as I obtained the quarterly reports from the stations that it might be sent by Augt Mail if no vessel were ready We got ready & essayed twice to start. & were compelled to return each time. the same week— the last time I returned I found a note calling me hastily to Mt Mendi to see the sick (Miss Woolsey). I left the matters with Br Burton to see to; he took the report. but forgot the "Memorandum Book"— we keep.— Instead of sending by first Mail via England— the Report; he put it in package of letters addressed to you to be sent by first Mail vessel. therefore I fear it will not be in season to find place in your accounts for summing up for the year just past—

The articles marked "Perishable" may, a part at least, be preserved as well here as elsewhere, if properly prepared and put up before being sent and then sent dry. Some of the Corn Meal bot by Br Tefft was spoiled when first opened, soon after arrival. because not well kiln dried I bot from a vessel, meal some months old & still keep part 6 Months old. and yet is good, tho exposed to the atmosphere daily—

Same remarks may be made of Dried Beef & Hams— Soda biscuit & crackers, preserves & sealed light. Will keep: Mt too large packages— Graham & Pilot Bread. and Apples & peaches are more trouble— Worms will spoil. & Roaches eat up Chocolate, in spite of us—

Butter should be well salted in small jars or firkins - packed - first well sealed in salt. It will keep long enough then.

We have ordered no Lard because we can get Ground nut oil as well with the less trouble, at 5/- stg pr gallon. It is lifted ordinarily best -

In regard to goods sent to Mr J Ezzidio - I may state that there was no bill of costs: percentage for purchase: or cartage or insurance tho it was was understood by us that he was to let us have goods at 40 pr ct on English invoice. yet for nearly all things we have to pay 80. to 100 pr ct - cash - if we can judge by the prices of other Merchants - Therefore it would be but right for you to put on a small per centage for trouble, &c, and then send a bill in form for us to present and collect without questions. If you can do so for the former bills and also for all such as have been since or may be made. When made, it will be not a little relief to who ever does the Business here. These are those arising from Experience & you can judge of their utility. - Our desire is to have as little business to call us to Freetown & still keep trading -

A long time since was sent an order for Strap Hinges, it was from Br Brooks, and sent as given me - afterwards being in more hurry than before, asked again, than I obtained required lengths. & went to town and got some, & got others made, tho we are well supplied & need no more. The order for the house at New Mendi, is just as given me supposing all particulars were sent a year or more ago. I know not the size of the house or length of Pillars required except I go & measure. I am almost inclined to think it would be cheapest to tear the old thing away & build anew. It has been a nuisance, injury to all who have lived in it - What by heated iron - or leaky roof, & damp inside, very much suffering has come of it - to say the least -

we are now in entire want of all salable goods of American Manufacture - the were vanished in two months - clothes are gone. except remnants; & cept the Prints that cost so much and were designed to supply the place of Satin Stripes. they are stamped but on one side. and are narrow. therefore are not so desirable. The Merrimack Prints of Blue. and light colors. and small figures have sold but the wide would pass well in place of Satin Stripe at times - these prints & colors were mostly unfading.

We are waiting as patiently as possible for returns to orders so long ago made; small portions have been received. but not any supply - and will be used almost as soon as received therefore we most humbly beg you will fill up our order in part, at least, and in all its variety. soon. for Br Brooks is at a stand still with his house till glass & hardware are at hand - and material to pay laborers. The Mechanics from Freetown have the cash mostly - others take more - Money is most done in Exports hands. We cant trade in town therefore without new Credit from the society or permission to draw directly on the treasury of the society. The question has been asked, but no answer yet received in regard to it. I have taken the liberty by necessity of want & circumstances to draw a few small orders on the treasury. sending reasons for so doing at the same time - I have given notice or a special letter of instruction each time I have drawn, on the treasury, or on Letters of Credit, taking a Marginal copy - besides having the amts dates & reasons favored. endorsed on the Letter of credit to be its own witness -

I find these two sheets so filled with business matter that I shall have to add a P. S. on another slip to tell of health

I am Dear - L. Hobbs

v W. J. Skuey
Sett. 4/55
abt his age

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Dayton, Ohio. Sept 4th 1855

Mr Lewis Tappan
Brooklyn
Dear Sir
Yours of

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-7105
FISK UNIV.

Aug 23 is received. Your account, in the main, is correct. On the 22d of Jan, the day before we sailed, I paid Mr Whipple $5.00 for postage &c for which I have no credit in your bill. This, you will of course, settle.

The charges of Brown, Shipley & Co seem to me to be exorbitant. Nearly 5 per cent for the privilege of using our money about ten months! This and the discount on air drafts when sold in Africa make this a dear operation. Perhaps I do not fully understand the matter. We shall, of course, pay the charges. but could

not some better plan adopted by which funds might be transferred to Africa?

The Chairman & Sec, whose duty it is to issue orders for all money are absent. As soon as the Ex Com meets I will present your account and payment will be made.

On the opposite page I give you a copy of the account as settled before we sailed for Africa. & the amount of our indebtedness to the A.B.C.F.M. as it stands on my Book & on your late account.

Yours Respectfully
Wm. J. Shuey

L. S. under to W. J. S
aug. 27 Kind letter but
due now $157.13

Amer Miss Assocn To M. J. Shuey Dr

Jan 9th/55 To Cash Deposited in Gold — $715.00

" 19 " " Draft On Ohio Life & Trust Co 1363.00

$2078.00

Amer Miss. Assocn Cr by M. J. Shuey

Jan 19/55 By Letter of Credit on Brown, Shipley & Co $1632.00

" 21 " " Check on L. M. Bank 221.00

" " " " passage Money to Africa 3 person 225.00

$2078.00

New York Jan 20/55.

Amer Miss Ass to U. B. B. M. Dr

Jan 22d/55 To Cash to Dr Whipple $5.00

" 8 " Cash for Telegram to D. 1.00

$6.00

Amer Miss. Ass. Cr by U. B. Board Miss.

Jan 24th/55 By cash for Telegram to D $1.00

" " " " " porterage on trunk 25

May 5 " C. L. Myersoll for Beat 87.98

June 27 " Postage — 90

Aug. 18. To Brown Shipley & Co for acceptance of Drft of 1632.00 — 68.00

$158.13

6.00

Due Amer Miss Assocn — $152.13

1. Rev. Gideon Teffs.
Sept 6, 1855

Kaw Mission 6th Sept. 1855

Dear Brother Whipple

Your general letter of June 26th reached me two days since & the circumstances connected with its arrival, and its contents have so touched my heart, that I feel that, although I have written to you pretty frequently since my arrival out, viz Feby. 19th March 15 & 16. 29. April 16. June 24. July 2. & 23. & Augt. 5. yet I should not do justice to my feelings if I did not give you a short response at once. The circumstances to which I refer are that I was not looking for anything so soon, though I had expected that I should have had business letters from you before you heard of the new arrangements. But either you have sent them or they have been kept from me. I infer that you are not offended with me for yielding to the pressure on my arrival.

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
No. EL-106

The second thing in connection with the arrival of your letter was the arrival of letters from dear friends also. It certainly was very kind and considerate in you to send them. It was a little thing yet I have not had any little incident touch my sensibility so for a long time as did this little act of sympathy. Thank you for myself & my dear Wife. It was more than "a cup of cold water," & surely you shall receive your reward.

But your excellent advice in your closing paragraph, is what I wished to notice more particularly. It was so very true & so much called for in our cases, that I cannot but thank the Lord for giving it to you to say, & the christian faithfulness to say it. Certainly whatever hinders us from cultivating our own hearts & keeping near God ourselves should at once be regulated or parted with.

I think I can truly say that my various attacks of sickness since my last arrival out, have proved a real blessing to my soul. And I hope by the blessing of God that I shall continue to be a more spiritual man than I have sometimes been. I have the sweet consciousness of ever maintaining moral integrity, but I fear that I may not have always kept as prominently before my mind as I ought, the necessity of deep & permanent sympathy between my own heart & God. O how necessary for us at all times to have an indwelling Christ! I had been looking at & praying over this matter before the arrival of your letter. This but serves to deepen the good impressions of

the Holy Spirit. I do think that I love such suggestions as contained in your letter, and that I have a disposition to profit by them. I know not that I can doubt that the trials & discouragements we are obliged to meet & bear are of the Lord, to drive us to him. And also to show us our great weakness. When I see the waywardness of those professing godliness & my own imperfections I feel that our only hope is in Jesus Christ. If we are not restrained & saved by him we are lost. Continue the faithful to us on spiritual matters. I cannot say much about spiritual matters in our church. Yesterday there appeared more solemnity in the class & much more life in the prayer meeting than for weeks before. Love to your family. I write thus on my sheet for convenience of copying Your missionary.

Hudson Taylor

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
FISK UNIV.
ACCN. 2147

Mostippan 7th April 1855

Dear Sister Moe,

It just occurs to me that in the multiplicity of new correspondents I do well not to forget or neglect old and tried friends. So as you know that I am accustomed to act at once, I immediately seat myself to write you a brief note. I love in many respects to call up the many days of toil & responsibility we have mutually shared. I can but hope that we have by the blessing of the Lord done some little good to that dear people. Would that it had been a thousand times multiplied!

As I have time or take it to think of those days I see that they must have been days of great trial to you especially. As I look back at your peculiar trials in being away from all society of your own sex, altho surrounded by plenty of women, I fear sometimes that I was not as considerate & sympathizing as I ought to have been. Well my sister if this has been the case I hope that ~~the~~ you will put it to the account of a want of experience instead of any intention to be neglectful or unsympathizing. If I had not have been grateful to you for your care when sick, & your sympathy in the hymenhour of my bereavement, I must have been wanting, to say the least, in those kindlier feelings which characterize ~~the~~ one who has had his sensibility ~~shrouded~~, at the feet of the Meek one of Calvary!

Truly I shall ever feel that I owe you a deep and lasting debt of gratitude for the past, to say nothing of the present, of your cheering words to my dear Louisa! I might also speak of your sisterly conduct to her in days gone by, when others sought to crush her orphan heart, but I forbear, lest my debt so accumulate that I shall be obliged to declare myself bankrupt. But let me say sister Hannah, that I, in my own & the name of my dear wife, give you full liberty to draw to the full of your necessities, upon both of us, for sympathy, Care & Council.

Rev. J. C. Jeffs to Miss Nave
1855

I assured that, if I know myself, that what I have thus written is something more than merely the flourishes of a ready pen, It is the sincere language of my overflowing heart in view of the past. I know that your cares & labors in connection with the new recruits must be excessive. I had hoped, to have removed my dear wife, so as to a little lighten your labors, before she is sick. But I now fear that she will be obliged to spend the rains at Kaw Mundi & Mrs Brooks at Good Hope, We are obliged to send so far for the bamboo for our roof & our sawyers get along so slowly that I fear that we cannot get into our house before next dry season. May grace and strength be given you according to your day is the prayer of brother Jeffs

ARCHIVES
FISK UNIV.

To Lewis Tappan Esqr - Treas - of the American Missionary Association. 48. Beekman Street New York. U.S. A -

Dear Sir

This is certify you of a Set of Exchange drawn by me on the Treasy of the A. M. A. in favor of John Ezzidis. for the sum of one hundred Pounds Stg - as for value rec'd being on account of Mendi Mission - dated Sept. 13th 1855 - time "at thirty days sight" -

Good Hope Station Shubolold.
Sept 11th 1855

I remain as ever
My dear Sir
Your obt. &
F. G. Cole

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7108
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No. FI-7108 A
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Troy N. Y. Sept 11th 1855

Rev Geo Whipple
Cor. sec. A. M. A.

Dear Brother—

Our visit to Troy has thus far been a pleasant one and very profitable to me spiritually. I shall go to Africa better prepared for my work, for having come here; not that there is any unusual interest manifested in religeon, but there is a missionary spirit among those with whom I am visiting and as "Iron sharpeneth iron, so the countenance of man doth that of his fellow". But I find no church with whom I can unite; the Congregational and Wesleyan have both been disbanded, the others are joined to the idol of slavery, and I can have no part with them I think I shall, if circumstances permit, unite with the Congregational Church of Brooklyn. Rev. Hr. W. Beecher's.

Mrs. Tappan in a letter to Mrs. L. stated the it would be best to be ready to sail by the 22d inst. as you thought it advisable to send us before the Anniversary, if opportunity offered; if that is the arrangement I would request that you give me a weeks time in New York before we sail at least as I have enough to occupy me that length of time in completing our outfit.

I have become acquainted with Bro. Stewart, that self sacrificing man of God, who is ever ready to aid our cause. Through his and his wife's influence I expect to get a sewing machine for the mission. There is nothing

we could take there that would be more useful of a temporal character, and as I will learn to use it we will be saved an immense amount of labor when those benighted heathen begin to awake to civilization. The first thing that will be needed is clothing, this machine will ~~supply~~ manufacture it very rapidly. I do not know how much more I may secure in the way of donations, but will try what can be done. I am also making an effort to secure a reform medical library for the mission, but have doubts of ~~the~~ success. I will accomplish it sometime however.

Independent of my medical outfit & that I have reduced to $150 (including a small mill to pulverize those articles of Med. I may get there) the ballance necessary to equip me will not amount to more than $100 I think. I thought it well to make this statement that you may have some basis for calculations for the year closing perhaps with our departure.

Please hand Bro. Belden this note.

We await your orders and remain

Your

Fellow laborer in the cause of Christ

David J. Lee

P. S. Please send me the address of that lady from Mass. who is to sail with us.

D. J. L.

Br David J Lee
Foy
Sept 11/55

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
No. FI-2109
FISK UNIV.

Tobacco

Resolved that the position early taken by the Executive Committee of this Association in declining to have their missionaries in Africa engage in the traffic in tobacco, notwithstanding the assurances received that the expenses of the mission might be greatly reduced thereby, meets the approval of this meeting.

2 Resolved that this meeting express to the Ex. Com. their hope that they will continue to conduct this mission on the same principles, notwithstanding it may be attended with increased expense.

Res. 3. That all the missionaries of this Association, its officers & members be respectfully requested to continue and sustain this position of the Committee, by refraining themselves from the use of tobacco in any form, and using their influence to dissuade others from its use.

Tobacco [redacted]

Bro. Tappan

I give you them as presented. ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ G. M.

Presented to the Exec Com Sept 12/55

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NEW YORK UNIV.

A.M.A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-7110
FISK UNIV.

No. 4187 Sierra Leone, 13th Sept 1855

1st of EXCHANGE for £110.

Thirty Days after sight of this my First of Exchange, Second and Third of the same tenor and date unpaid, pay to the Order of John Ezzy the Sum of one hundred Pounds Stg. for Value received, which place to Account of Mendi Mission with or without further advice.

F. G. Cole
for
Mendi Mission

To Lewis Tappan Esq.
Treas. of the A. M. A. & B. Bickman &c
New York. U.S.A.

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. A-111
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Boom falls Station, Mendi Mission, W. A.
McLaffan House, Sep. 15, 1887

Dear Young Friends:- In continuing the subject of worship I will tell you about the Mendi people praying to the dead. All good people love their fathers and mothers. And when the Lord takes them out of the world how sad and sorrowful are the hearts of those who follow their lifeless bodies to the grave. But what comfort the thought of meeting them in heaven gives every pious heart. We believe we shall see our fathers and mothers again in heaven if we love God because we have the Bible which tells us about Jesus Christ who rose from the dead that after death we might go and up to heaven.

The Mendi people have no Bible. They know nothing of heaven or hell. They believe in another world but it is all dark, deep down in the earth where the sun goes at night. "When the father of a family dies all the servants and children of the family worship his spirit. If he has been a great man a Chief or Warrior many people will join with them.

¶ This worship commences immediately after death. And is at first frequent, but after a few days time it decreases only by appointment of the leading members of the family.

¶ The manner of it is various. Immediately after the death of a parent, short prayers are mingled with the wailing and mourning, but after the first day or two, regular sacrifices and formal prayers are made at the grave, or by the side of the dead body. The first things offered are cloths and meat. Food is prepared and set before the body and [illegible] after burial, which takes place many weeks after death, and [illegible] always accompanied by a short prayer. A tuning of the body, it is set by the grave.

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If the dead is a chief of note and power, fowls, sheep, goats and cattle are brought to the grave, over which there is a house built, and then killed with a formula of words much the same as if the dead were present and the animals sacrifices had been given to him as presents. The flesh is then divided between the friends, and eaten in common. The liver, heart and some other parts are cooked and set with other food before the dead or at the grave.

Should the dead be a warrior as well as chief, among the Mendi people, human sacrifices are offered to him, especially should he be killed by war. In this case his death is announced by a war party "as they enter some ill fated town to pillage it by night. Their war cry is 'Our chief is dead and has sent us for slaves!' and as each victim falls under the heavy stroke of the cutlass, the dreadful words 'I send you to my chief' fall from the victors lips. If any prisoners are taken they are brought to the grave of the warrior and beheaded amid the most frantic shouts and with fright ceremonies. no breath

At a cry made for a warrior who resided almost in sight of the place where I am now writing this human being were beheaded morning and evening for near two weeks, and a number of women were put to death in a manner too dreadful to relate. Some believe that the spirits of the dead are often in the water, and more than 40 children were drowned at the close of the cry. They were first tied together by a rope to which was fastened great stones, then taken into the river, and the canoes in which they were placed, upset. This occurred within the last three years. Only a few weeks since a chief with whom I am acquainted sent out his warriors to take a town, & get victims to sacrifice

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his son, a deceased warrior, who had long been his pride and hope, but they being overpowered were defeated with the loss of many of their best men. When the servant came before their disappointed and cruel master, & report of their misfortunes, he bit his lips in rage a few moments then said to the men, ~~that his son was not in the ground also~~, that if they were willing to go and be his sons slaves rather than send their enemies, he had no palaver with them for it, and that he would give them all a chance to go and serve him soon.

Within a little more than a year since Braw, the war chief of this part of the country died, but because he died among his friends his family were prevailed upon by the peace loving chiefs not to proclaim his death by war, ~~so that his death was proclaimed without human sacrifice~~. The chief succeeding him ~~in the war~~, is now planing a war ~~for the chief~~ in honor of his nephew. ~~Great preparations~~ to commence, not many miles from this place, in a few months. The chief object of ~~this~~ C.T.L. is to give Braw the honors of a mendicant warrior's burial.

These are parts, only, of the cruel worship of this heathen people. That man who is able to make himself the chief of murders, the most cruel and violent in the country, is most served and honored while living and as soon as dead is worshipped as a god. This people are engaged with sin and works of darkness only. They know no power but to do evil, they know no law but the will of cruel and selfish men. Give them the Bible. Teach them that God, who is over all, is love, tell them the story of the cross until they see, feel, & know that these are true and this worship of dead men will be ended. Yours &c. Samuel Gleng

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Boomfalls Station. Mendi Mission West Africa
Mr Sappan House. Sep. 24. 1855.

Worship of dead Continued.

My dear Young Friends. So strong is this disposition among Mendians to worship their dead ancestry that many of the most superstitious do not eat or drink without first giving the dead "their own" as it is called. If a man of this stamp is about to drink his palm wine he partly fills his cup and pours it on the ground saying "drink ye spirits of the dead and help me." When he eats he fills his hand first and throwing it over his head says "eat and be satisfied ye spirits of the ground and help me for I always remember you."

If one sick or troubled, or has he a plan of getting money to accomplish any desired end, the dead are remembered and worshipped. Mats, cloths, beads, fish nets rice, powder, tobacco, (indeed any thing used by the Africans) plates, spoons, cups, bowls, pots, kettles, are taken and thrown on the ground, in the road or in the water, or are buried, or hung on a pole or tree, or burned as the case may be, but in all, they are sent to the dead.

Some are so devoted to their superstitions that they do not change their clothes without making some sacrifice to the spirits, lest they be angry and deprive them of their happiness. So common are these things that you cannot approach a town or village but you will see numerous evidences of this kind of worship along the road. Some of the articles to be seen there are offered to the dead are only half finished, the reason for this is that it has been so long in making on account of hindrances, which is supposed

battle, slaying many before he himself was slain. His followers animated by his devotion, and equally superstitious believed victory was certainly theirs. They fought like fiends spreading dismay into the heart of the foe who began to give way before them. "They fly! they fly" was soon the shout of victory which rang through the town. The young and fleet were soon in hot pursuit and laid low in the dust many a weary warrior. The town was saved, the people rejoiced. They took the body of the self sacrificed warrior literally hewn to pieces and buried it in the center of their town with great sacrifices and ceremonies by which they pretended to bind the souls of all slaves during the living as well as the captives caught and beheaded on his grave to him in perpetual slavery. A house was then built over the warriors resting place in which all his war utensils, drums, pipes, & of his musicians were deposited as sacred to his memory. From that time to the present he has been regarded as their chief deity, a prince of the souls of departed warriors.

Since his death the town of Bompey has been taken by war by Cutona, which was done five years ago, by a combined war from the adjoining tribes interior, at which time the house and relics to his memory were destroyed. On this account the Bompey tribe are determined to utterly root out the name of the parties combined in that war.

Revenge & superstition, when will they be removed from the earth? My dear young friends, when are they taken from your hearts? Only by Christ the Lamb of God. To preach his love and mercy to the world till all believe to the saving of their souls then superstition and revenge will be no more. This and nothing less is contemplated by the missionary station here, may God help him, our mighty God & Saviour Amen.

J. A. Brooks
to Smith
No 3

A.M.A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7114
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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. A-7115
FISK UNIV.

Freetown, Sept 19/15

Dear Bro Whipple, Yesterday, a Lady here - (american) called for me, & talk some wrd. Susan & I called on her - Her name is Mrs Francis McIntosh - colored - from Savannah, Georgia - has a large family of boys - is very poor, & hard pushed to get a living - has very poor health - belongs here to Bro Beale's church, & is respectable - She feels that she may be taken away suddenly, & she does not wish to leave her younger boys, here, amid so many wicked influences - & told me she wished to "Give them up to the Episcopal Mission in America", to be trained aright, cared for, & made useful, in some way -

I told her, I knew not the Episcopalians in America, but I would write to you, & enquire, of Dr Tyng, or some one if any thing could be done for her - The boys are 16, & 14 years of age -

I do not think any such thing can be done, as she speaks of - but you can enquire - I suppose, it would answer her desire, & intent if they could be get into good Episcopalian families, & bound to them, till 21, or more - Please enquire of some good Episcopalian - say Bro Jay, or some other - & ascertain if any thing can be done, in any way, to help, & accommodate her - & write to her, - the result of your enquiries, directed "Mrs Francis McIntosh, Care of James Beale, Freetown, Sierra Leone W. A. - "And the Lord do as seemeth him good" -

Your Bro Geo Thompson

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A letter from Lucy, first - even if Mrs Stowe
writing from Hartford, Sat. afternoon

Rev. G. Thornton
Madison

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Freetown. Sept 19/1.

Dear Bro Whipple, I have a large bundle of letters to send, - some written nearly 6 weeks - but no chance to send by merchant vessel - Shall have them here to be sent by first chance. But as the Mail goes out this week, I drop a few words, to acquaint you of our state, & leave the full particulars, & some important letters, for some vessel, direct to S. L. G.

More than a month ago, I left Mt. with Susan Woolsey, for this place - She had had 3 attacks of fever - none very severe, compared with others - but had become very weak - & felt that a ride on salt water, & the change, would do her more good, & restore to health, quicker than anything else. We were 4 days, & nights, in our canoe, from Good Hope, here. She improved every hour - gained strength rapidly - here has walked about much - we have been to the back villages down, & through the mountains, which did her much good - & now she feels quite well - (Yesterday washed, & ironed!) - & we are only waiting a chance, to go back to the Mission. She feels that she ought to be at her work - hope to get off in a few days -

Here I have labored very hard - as my Journal will show - when you get it - teaching, preaching, in various places, &c. O! they do plead so hard for me to labor with them here! - O! that we had a good strong Preacher here - it would do much good - If my wife is willing, you may appoint me to this place, or to Plantain Island - where I think wife could live. -

I have here printed some 7000 temperance cards for circulation, expense mostly borne by friends here - & am trying to get up a regular Temperance Society - drew up a Constitution &c - Beale, Edney, Elliott, & others, are very friendly. The cards are sought after, & read eagerly. The blessing of the Lord attend them.

Write to Martha, tell her I have 2 or 3 months journal, all written for her, waiting for a safe, & cheap, way. My wife to give it to her, with many parting kisses, & Love -

A letter come here, first - even if Mrs Stowe should write, I should be sent. always

Rev. C. Thompson
Nashville

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Freetown. Sept 19/75

Dear Bro Whipple, I have a large bundle of letters
to send, - some written nearly 6 weeks - but no chance to
send by merchant vessel - Shall have them here to be
sent by first chance. But as the Mail goes out this
week, I drop a few words, to acquaint you of our state,
& leave the full particulars, & some important letters, for
some vessel, direct to N Y —

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carry help, without paying big postage —

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ASTOR, LENOX, TILDEN FDN.

When I left the Mission, Br. Brooks was suffering severely from Asthma, as usual, in the Rainy season. His Wife had an occasional chill - have not heard from them since I left -

Tappan had touches of fever, but kept about, at his work, taking his packs, &c - his Wife, well, & has some cold - but doing well - Miss Moore well - & things prospering at Kilbi - only needing a good roof on our house, & more Laborers -

Burton had an attack of cramping, & had some fever after but was improving when I left - His wife hearty - He said to me "I do not see but I may Wife can enjoy as good health here, as in America" - He talks a little of Not his Wife should take his life out of him, & get him home (see my letters, & he sent in Sailing Papers) -

The Doctor was pretty well - & Miss Aldrich well (I have written about them - & he sent) - Fleckinger had had a relapse, but was gaining, & about, when I left - waited on himself - ate at table &c - With care the prospect was, he would get up -

We must have more Laborers, a retrograde. Can't they be found! I have written particulars - to he sent -

I have written about a Station here - Pray consider it, & look around for a good man - a prudent, faithful, & stirring Preacher -

I have written about a Paper for the Mission, Consult -

I have given Capt Summers a letter of recommendation to you, when he comes, (I am boarding with him) -

May the Lord direct you, as will be for His glory -

Say to L Tappan, I will subscribe for the new Paper here "The African", for him, & order it sent, regularly, by mail, to his name, You will all be glad to see it -

The other Paper here, is by wicked men, & you must check guard -

I send one copy to my friends - & subscribe for one copy for myself - The Paper is conducted by a Corp. of Ch. & Methodist & Missionaries -

May the Lord bless you -

Much love, & many prayers, Yours By Geo Thompson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

Phebe Howes
Dennis, Mo.
Sept. 21/55

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. A-7117
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Dennis Mass Sept 21st 1855

Rev George Whipple
New York.

Dear Sir

A letter from Rev H. Belden to my sister Hannah Howes was received today, informing her that she was desired to proceed immediately to New York to join the Company about to sail for Africa.

I regret to inform you that my sister is now lying sick of Dysentery and Fever.

She was brought to us from her school yesterday, although she has not been able to teach for a week past.

The Dr. says the Fever will run seven days longer.

We feel the hand of Providence is in it

thus defeating my sister's cherished plans. Hoping you may be able to find a substitute for that deeply interesting field of labor. I am Yours &c.

Shobe Howes

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NO. EI-2118
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Br Whipple.

Please direct this. & the letter from the Church. (in a large envelope) to the proper persons - as you know them. & forward. as soon as possible -

Let us have some healthy american influence here, even if its Baptist - As soon as God will permit, let us have a true Congregational Church here. & faithful. simple preaching, without the long tedious. disgusting, everlasting round of forms & ceremonies - prayer reading &c -

Appoint me. a whom you please. & this place for the general good - & by good of Mende Mission -

The Lord bless you -

All well

Yours Jas Thompson

Farewell
Yours &c
Geo. J.

Sept 24/1855

Dear George, I have engaged a passage, to go out this eve - for Sherbro - All well - Susan is smarter. Have just rec'd letters from T.M.M - the babe had fever - Left threatened with fever - Mr Tifft & Miss More well. Religious interest, reviving - Have not had news from E.H. - I "The African", to my Father Jersey C. & to Bro. Woolsey Hillyer, - please mail & forward, whenever they come - One to L. Tifft

Rev. G. Thompson

Sept 24/55

Geo. W

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Rec'd this, before forwarding
onto Free Mission Baptist
Observer. Butts [illegible]
[illegible]

Whipple

8 Beekman St

New York

andly the
attest.

Copy

New York 24th Sept 1855

Dr. T. S. Hale or T. Cutter Esqr. West Africa

are hereby authorized to value on Messrs Brown, Shipley & Co Liverpool, payable in London at Four Months sight for account of the American Missionary Ass'n of this City for any sums not exceeding Three Hundred pounds Stg.

And Brown, Shipley & Co hereby agree with the drawers endorsers & bona fide holders of bills drawn in compliance with the terms of this credit that the same shall be duly honoured on presentation at their counting house

The bills must be drawn within twelve months from this date

For £300 Stg

Please sign bills as being drawn (signed) Brown, Shipley & Co

under credit No. 1921 dated 24th Sept 1855

Received the original of the above letter of credit for Three Hundred pounds Stg. in consideration whereof We Lewis Tappan Jr & Geo Whipple Secy do hereby agree with Messrs Brown, Shipley & Co to provide, previous to the maturity of the bills sufficient funds to meet the payment of whatever may be negociated by virtue thereof with commission on the same Two per cent & that all property which shall be purchased or shipped in compliance with the terms of the credit & the proceeds thereof & the policies of insurance thereon, together with the bills of lading are hereby pledged & hypothecated to them, as collateral security for the payment as above promised & held subject to their order on demand with authority to take possession & dispose of the same at discretion for their security or reimbursement, unless the amount be otherwise secured or remitted satisfactorily. It being understood that monies paid to Brown, Brothers & Co shall be taken as payment without recourse. In all settlements arising under this credit, the pound sterling shall be calculated at the current rate of exchange at the time of such settlement and interest charged.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-7118A
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Treasurer's receipt for
Brown, Brothers & Co
letter of credit
to Dr Cole
& Mr Tefft
24th Sept. 1857
£300.—

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7118B
FISK UNIV.

duplicate

New York 24th Sept. 1855

Dr. T. G. Cole or Revd. Cutler Jeffs West africa

are hereby authorized to value on Messrs. Brown, Shipley & Co Liverpool payable in London at Four months sight

for account of the American Missionary association of this City, for any sums not exceeding Three Hundred pounds Sterling.

And Brown, Shipley & Co hereby agree with the drawers, endorsers and bona-fide holders of bills drawn in compliance with the terms of this credit, that the same shall be duly honoured on presentation at their counting house.

The bills must be drawn within Twelve months from this date.

Brown Shipley & Co
by their partners in Liverpool
Brown Brothers & Co

For £300 Sterling

Please sign bills as being drawn under credit No. 1949 dated 24th September 1855.

Brown, Brothers & Co
Letter of Credit
in
24 Sept 1865
£300

New York, Apl 25 1855

Mrs A. Beldwin

Bought of MAYNARD & KERRIGAN,

FEATHER BED & MATTRESS WAREHOUSE, Wholesale & Retail,

153 CHATHAM ST.

J. G. Maynard.
M. Kerrigan, Jr.

2 Cu Mattrs
2 S Drop Mattrs
2 S Drop P.
1 Bd Bolster

$50
5 50

Recd Pmt — Maynard & Kerrigan

Mrs Theodore Boos
Mr Beckman

Bill rendered

F. A. ARCHIVES
No. FI-7119
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Maynard & Kerrigan. Rec'd
Paid Sept 28/55

$14—
Mendi Mission

Another bill given

MAYNARD & KERRIGAN
LEATHER AND SHOE FINDINGS, ASSORTED & WARRANTED
No. 13 CENTRE MARKET, BALTIMORE

Sole Leather
Pr 26 inches
$8 A.7

Jw. Mende's Mission.

1 Cooking Stove. as sent before in 1853 or 1854

Belden. please look over the monthly statements back along till you find bill of Cooking stove sent to Africa.

We want one like it.

See the bills of Goods as purchased in the Fall & Winter of 1853 & 1854

If you can find the bill, send buy a stove & send it.

Yours

Rev H Belden

G Stripe

Sept 21/55

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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The stove was bought by L. T. & sent on board the Emily Sept 26/55

Rev. W. P. Bolden
Sept 1/1855

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7124
FISK UNIV.

Mrs Belden

I will leave the box marked Mrs Joseph H. Simpson in your care to send to him when he shall give you directions where to send it.

Should he fail to write to you concerning it for 2 or 3 months, I wish you to give it up to Miss Harriet Dodge with my request that she will distribute its contents (with the exception of a medical work which you will present to Mrs Belden with my compliments, and our likeness which she will keep herself,) to female objects of Charity.

A compliance with the above will confer an obligation on your

Sister in Christ

Sept 26th 1855

Naath. C Lee
Missionary to West Africa

The Box was sent for
and forwarded to Norfolk Va

Mrs Dr Lee to H Belden
about a Boy
Sept 26/55

Rev Henry Belden
Present

Sold by H. Anstice, Stationer, 27 Nassau-street, cor. of Cedar.

Shipped, in good order a

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M.M.

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Freetown

Sierra Leone

West Africa

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dle of Hoes Seven Trunks 1 Stove & two wheels.
s 1 to 3 Three boxes of Wild Cherry bitters
e boxes Lemon Syrup. 7 to 9 Three ½ bbls Flour & Meal
sk of Butter 11 to 16 Six tin cans crackers.
o barrels of Pilot-bread 19 to 30 Twelve casks
t. 31 & 32 Two boxes of Clocks 33 two wheels
34 One bundle of Hoes (12). 35 & 36 Two Boxes Medicines
& Drug Mill - 38 One Keg of Alcohol. 39 & 40 Two boxes
and other merchandise. 41 & 42 Two bbls ditto
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oking Stove.
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wo boxes of Books
x of Clothing.
x Half barrels Flour & Meal for F. Ozzidio

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FT-7122
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paid in New York
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ed to three Bills of Lading, all of this tenor and date; one of which being accomplished,
d void.
W-YORK, the 26th day of September 1855

H. Grantzow

Bill of Lading of Schr. Emily
N.Y. to Sierra Leone.
Sept 26/53

A.M.A. ARCHIVES
NO. A-7123
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope, Sept 27/55 —

Dear Bro Whipple — We left Freetown on the eve of 24th, & arrived here, on eve of 26th, in a small Schooner — 48 hours. We were all sea sick much, but are now well. Thanks Dear Father — In Town, I write to the Committee, about appointing Bro Burton at Freetown — &c — I write this, to say, that he has concluded, during my absence to Town, to begin his station up the Bargroo River, at a Town, named Bailey — He has visited the place, while I have been gone — Is much pleased — says they people all have one word to have him come, & he has sent one man, with some money (goods) to lay the matter before the Chiefs.

So, I wish, all I write about his going to Town, to go for nothing, provided he will go forward, & establish himself at any station in the Country — as is now the prospect.

But should he back out finally, then, in order to save him to the Mission, I would still say, appoint him to Freetown, as I write in mine. From Town —

Mr Tappt's babe, died, some 2 weeks ago — Sept 16th the rest of Tappts well — Brooks & Wife came here, this week, unwell — Mrs Brooks has had chills, & looks bleached some —

Burton has had an ill attack, but is quite smart now — Fitzinger is smart — Dr C. not well — The rest well — I expect to visit some places, with Daniel, Sebolente, in a few weeks —

From what I hear, this man, I take back nothing I write respecting Dr C. & Mr B. — We shall try to get them married, if possible — but can't tell — Their conduct, for unmarried persons, has been disgraceful to the Mission — The Lord bless you — Your Bro Geo Thompson

Rev. Geo Thompson
Sept 27 / 55

George Whip
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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7124
FISK UNIV.

N. G. Friday Morning Sept 28th/55

Dear Bro. Whipple

We are ordered to be aboard the Schooner at 12. M. to-day - to sail for our future home. With pleasure I avail myself of this leasure time to drop you a note, so that when you return to this seat at your desk, where I am now sitting, you may find a memento of me. I regret that we were not permitted to see each other again, but submit to the dispensation with cheerfulness.

Our correspondence has been very pleasant to me, and now when I have arrived at the consumation of its object, I gladly commit to paper and dedicate to you the emotions and principle that I trust shall govern me in my future course, not making promises however in my own

strength, for I am perfect weakness. If I know my own motives. I embark for Africa with the single object of God's glory and the salvation of the people to whom I am sent. To maintain this object I am willing to sacrifice every earthly consideration, and pursuit. I must constantly keep my whole being on the altar of Christ's Atonement. then, I know God will use what ever talents or graces he may have given me, in just the way he desires, whilst I am a co-worker together with him. This state of mind I trust to maintain by a constant and momentary dependance on the promise "I will help thee." Should I err, my errors shall not be in my motives. I trust it shall never be laid to my charge, that my motives are not right. With such views as these, my soul is overpowered with a sense of my dependence on my redeemer for assistance, in the fiery trials that await me, never did I so much realize my own weakness

Oh that my faith were stronger, that I might "be strong in the power of His might."

My dependence on outward things is lessening every year, even the most precious means of Grace are not sufficient, though faithful prayer strengthens me; I feel more and more the necessity of having "the kingdom of Heaven within me." then the toils and trials of a missionary life, will be sweet to me. Nothing will befall me if Jesus dwell in me. He will calm the troubled waters. I feel it to be good to thus commit myself; in the very act of thus consecrating all my powers to God, I gather encouragement to persevere.

In my labors I shall remember the saying of Dr Clark. "Keep your heart full of the love of God and you will work when you do not know it, the fountain will overflow with good works all around you"

I shall endeavor in the multiplicity of cares that may surround me, not to forget my own soul; for the improvement and

D. J. Lee M.D. N.Y. Sept 28/55

growth of grace in my own heart I am first of all accountable. This is not selfish, in my opinion, to endeavor to get all the grace I can for myself first, then impart to those around me what God has given me. I have for some years entertained the view, that no man was prepared to preach the Gospel to others until he realized all its sin cleansing power in his own soul. The infidel Christains are the curse of Zion. Oh that God would preserve me from such abomination, as attempting to lead others when I am blind myself.

Now my Brother - If I accomplish any thing in my field of labor it will be by God's grace that it is done - and if you expect any thing of me, look for it only through my capacity to receive that grace and my willingness to impart its life giving knowledge to others. If I have any talents I have received them through the influence of the religeon of Jesus. Hence I believe the work of a Missionary to be emphatically a spiritual one. If ever Africa is civilized it will be by the spirit of God, opperating through His own appointed means, for the accomplishment of that work. Modern Civilization has almost as many heathenish practices, in the light of the gospel, as has African heathenism.

But I must close

Farewell, my Brother, Farewell

David J. Lee

No one has seen me write this but God alone, do with it as you think best D. J. L

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-2126
FISK UNIV.

Rev. J. G. Pease
Sept. 29th 1855

Kaw Mendi Station W. Af. 29th Sept. 1855

Rev Geo Whipple Cor Sec
A. M. A. 48 Beekman St N.Y.

My Dear Brother

I have thought for some weeks that I would not write to you again unless I had something to communicate which would encourage your heart. But although I do most sincerely sympathize with you in your trials in striving to carry on missions in this and other dark lands, yet I feel compelled to write again in somewhat of a somber mood. First I must tell you that we were called on the 16th inst to give our dear little James Burton back to his heavenly Father. He had a run of fever of 10 days duration which carried him off. All children born in this country, both black & white have to pass through a course of acclimating fever before they are many months old.

We feel the bereavement very much, yet I think that both wife & self are able to say "The Lord gave, the Lord hath taken away & blessed be the name of the Lord." Our great anxiety is to learn the rich lesson of love which our Father would teach us by it. O for the Love of Christ to be fully shed abroad in our hearts.

Second I must speak a few words ~~of~~ about my health. I have not said much about it from the fact that I have fondly hoped that next week & next month I should be better. But I continue in "status quo" so I dare not delay longer. My health has been poor all the time since my last arrival out. I cannot say that I have had hardly, if a single well day in the whole time. A number of weeks of it as I have already told you, I have been entirely prostrated. For a number of weeks past I have only just felt above the point of giving up. Part of the time I have been able to go through with the duties devolving upon me in bro Thompsons absence, & part of the time I have been compelled to call Mr John the Teacher to my assistance I can do but little without bringing on feverish symptoms. In a word I am not of much use to myself or the Mission. When I returned I fondly hoped that if my life was spared I should be able to stand the climate five or six years more without the necessity of a change. But I have been so affected by the climate since my return, that I now feel it to be my duty to say to you, that unless the Dry Season brings me up I shall feel obliged to ask you to permit us to return next Summer. Even saying as much as this gives me pain. O Lord help!

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

I feel the more sad about this matter from the news which they, i.e. Bro Thompson and Sister Worley, brought from Good Hope last Evening viz. That Bro & Sister Brooks arrived there a few days since from Mo Tappan, both of them quite prostrated, & fearing that they must leave us, as soon as Sister B— is able to bear the journey to Freetown, probably for America. This, as you will remember I told you when with you, is nothing more than I have feared for two years past. If he had not been one of the greatest moral heroes of our times he would have left 15. or 18 months since. I feel this the more on account of our having been appointed to labor together at Mo Tappan. I do truly feel that I am really unfit to be there alone. 1st I am not enough acquainted with country law to keep out of country palaver. 2nd There are no writings about the place up there and I fear the people will take advantage of it & make me difficulty. 3rd With so many out stations there is more to do than any one man ought to have the entire superintendence of. 4th My health is too precarious to be so far from help with my dear wife only. 5th The house is still to be finished, and I have not a bit of mechanical genious. Yet I hope to stand in my place according to my ability

But still another and if possible more painful reason for my feeling reluctant to trouble you with any thing about self, or my own health, is that I learn from Bros Thompson & Flickinger & sister Woolsey who came up from Good Hope last evening, that things have come to such a pass at Good Hope that there must be a change there immediately or there can be no peace. Bro & sister Burton feel that they cannot stay longer with the Doctor and Mary B. Aldrich. This is a sad state of things. The more especially as bro Burton was so very determined last spring to have the Dr there with him. I am asked by bro Brooks to go down on Monday & some action may be taken so I will not anticipate.

O what a state we are in! We need help immediately and considerable of it. yet I cannot ask or urge you to send any more men out. For I confess that I am in such a state although our need is almost infinite yet I really feel bad to see them come. I think that our bereavement has proved a blessing to our souls. May the Lord grant you this wisdom to discern his will relative to this strange & difficult field.

As ever your bro & Missionary J. C. Jeffers

Oct. 22 Dear Br. It now devolves upon me in connection with bro George to tell you (to us & you) the sad news that our dear sister Susan Teal Brooks died yesterday at 10 o P.M. She has been gradually failing for some weeks. The only arrival from Mosquito last Wednesday Br Brooks is exceedingly feeble & may not live long himself. Susan was one of the most lovely christian females I ever knew, full of faith & the Holy Spirit. O my bro what is our Father saying to us in these repeated strokes! What will the churches say? Our Father is speaking let us listen for our lives. O how our hearts bleed. The Godly man cannot

We are at Good Hope & think the funeral should not take place before Friday. Bro Brooks requests me to ask you to write to his friends immediately & the nearest of kin.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7126
FISK UNIV.

Schooner Emily Saturday 2½ P.M. Sept 29th 55

My Dear Friend and Brother

We weighed Anchor about 12 M. and are now being piloted down the Bay. on our way to our future home. What a blessed Comfort to know that Jesus is our Spiritual Pilot and Captain of our salvation. For my part I never felt such consolation in reliance on the promises of God. The 91st Psalm was peculiarly blest to the comfort of my soul and in Prayer in our state room I could by faith stay myself upon God.

I shall ever remember with gratitude the kindness I received from the Officers of the Association. They shall receive their reward

We do not expect a pleasant voyage, yet there could not be a more beautiful day than this for our commencement. The Pilot will leave us this evening and then we take the broad Ocean for our cradle or our grave. God's will be done.

We are all busy writing and could you look in upon us you would not think we were making much sacrifice, we are cheerful

glad why should we not be — we have more than earth could give and I would not now renounce my missionary voyage with its doubtful termination, for all that I leave behind me, though I should have it for an inheritance.

I shall not in any of my letters speak of the missionaries only to say they are sick or well I will leave all criticism for those who may desire it. I am going to do the Lords work "and I cannot come down".

We have a very pleasant breeze and are sailing rapidly. I have had two patients aboard both belong to Africa, as little Charley says. He is sitting by my side looking very demure perhaps he begins to know there is something new before him. We have set our rooms in order for sea sickness, and are glad we came aboard last evening, as we have been at work ever since and are just done. I must close, that I may see the last of the city, for we are leaving it far behind.

Give our love to Mr. Belden. Mrs. Tappan, and all the rest of our friends

We will write again on the ocean, and send it back by any vessel we can.

Remember us in your prayers

Your Bro. in Christ David J. Lee

Send for Black's from time to time any thing that may be of interesting

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. 47-7/27
FISK UNIV.

Kaw Mendi Station N. Me. W. A.
1st Oct 1855

Lewis Tappan Esqr Sec. A. M. A.
48 Beekman St. New York.

Dear Sir

In behalf of Mr Thompson who is the Supn. of this Station, I herewith submit the Quarterly Report for this Station due this day.

		£	s	d
1.	Kaw Mende. Including tools cleaning Streets &c &c	5	10	9
2.	Mission Farm. (Labor,	16	3	9½
3	" Buildings. (Lumber, Carpenter, Thatch &c)	21	1	10½
4	" School (Teachers wages. Rice. Casada. Oil & washing	56	9	8½
5	" Results. Rice. Oil &c Dito Poor		13	11
6.	" Timber. (Sawyers & Logs) Dr. 13.0.2. Cr 3.12.0 =	9	8	2
7.	" Thompson & Co. Family expenses. food. help &c	30	1	8
8	" Kawtoomahhoo Out Station to K. Me.	8	10	0
		£147	19	10½

Respectfully Yours

Hutton Teft

Kaw Mendi W. A. 29th Sept. 1855

Lewis Tappan Esqr Treas A.M.A.

My Dear Brother

I herewith hand you a Copy of a Report that I have sent to Dr Coll. You may think it uncalled for. But I have communicated with you so long about such matters that I feel as though I could write a little better to you the full explainations which usually seem called for than to the Dr. I am happy to say that I think this Report does not need much if any extra remark. As far as I now can think I think all is included in the accts. which should be & that it is near accuracy. The family acct. is larger than it would otherwise be, on acct. of bro Thompson & Sister Morlan finding it necessary to spend 5 or 6 weeks in Town. We have been called to follow our own dear boy to the grave. He was a sweet little fellow but the Lord had need of him.

My own health is not, & has not been at all good since I last arrived in Africa. I have seen badly a well day. If the dry season does not bring me up I think we must ask to be released. See bro Whipple's letter. Love from wife & self to you & your excellent family

In Christian love

J. Butler Leffler

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P.S. Bro Thompson would have had a credit in favor of the farm for the year of twenty nine pounds & twenty shillings. J. B. L.

Oct. 1st Good Hope.

Dear Brother

We are here upon one of those sad, sad errands which we are so frequently called in this county. Two weeks ago today with us followed our dear little boy to his resting place in the earth is all that remained of him. And today we are to follow our dear sister Susan Hall Brooks remains to the place appointed for all the living. She died yesterday at 1 O'C P.M. We met a messenger just as we came out of church at Trow Calling us. We have not time to write particulars. She had calmly & with faith looked at death for weeks expecting to meet it. O she was ripe for heaven! See how what is God saying by these oft repeated strokes! What will the Churches say to these frequent deaths of her most lovely daughters!

In haste & love J. C. Tefft

J. C. Tefft
Sept 29
Oct 1 1855
[Mr. died Oct. 16 1856.]
An Christian with blessed assurance of Christ

J. E. M. L. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7128
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I love Mende W. Africa Oct 12/87

My dearly beloved Mrs Tappan, your exceedingly kind note of Aug 12/87 (my birth day - 38 years) came to hand yesterday. I hate to return thanks, to say how much I love you, for your kind faithfulness. "Let the righteous smite me, it shall be an excellent oil, which shall not break my head." Ps — Yes, dear Sister, I do love those, who will be faithful to point out my failings, & cross, & check me, when I do wrong — I will not prescribe how they shall do it, so that they do it. I have my way of reproving others have theirs — we must all work in our own harness — David could not fight with Saul's armor, nor Saul with David's weapons.

I have, for 15 years prayed, tried, & wished I could reprove in the gentle manner of some others, whose way I admired, but I am but little nearer it now than when I began. I can not do my work, in their way, no they, their's, in mine — so that the work is done, & well done, is the thing to be desired. —

The world is made up of all sorts of minds, it needs all sorts of laborers to bring it to Christ, & to destroy the works of the devil. I am persuaded the world could not get along, without just such coarse, unwieldy, rough, mauls, as myself — I have given up all hope of ever being the smooth, polished, delicate hammer, as others.

I remember reproving old mother Ballard (mentioned in Prison Life) for a vain head dress — a turban, she had let a proud dress maker, make for her — She brought it out to show me, smiling — I said, in my blunt way. "Now, Mother, that is wicked, for you to do so." Tears filled her eyes, & she answered with sweet warmth, "I love you all the better for it. I love you all the better for it". —

Again, old Moses Hunter, did a thing which seemed to me wrong, tho' he thought, at the time he did right — I write me of my sharpest most daggerish reproof, in all frankness. She answered, with tears "I thank you for your faithfulness. It shows me I have one friend, who is not afraid to tell me of my faults". On the other hand, others, have, at times, written, them wounded, by my rebukes. —

Oppose God, I have done more, at this Mission, than all put together. Since I come - the Rebellion, if mine fault should be found with me? Tho I am far from faultless for God knows, thanks be

But while I write thus, I would not, do not excuse myself for any needless severity, or undue harshness, in reproving. — I am well aware, that my manner often appears to others, very harsh, even passionate, when I am, wholly unconscious of any thing of the kind, till I hear of it afterward. This is a grief to me, & I think I can say — & I think those who have been with me most, in years gone by, will testify — that I have, by the grace of God, somewhat improved, in this respect — though I confess, even yet, before I am aware, I have made a daggerish thrust, when I have seen something I considered wrong. —

May the Lord help me, & make me "a vessel fit for the Master's use", & use me as will be most for His glory — is my desire & prayer. —

That there have been "disagreements, & misunderstandings among the Missionaries", cannot be denied — & no one has been a greater grief than myself, causing great anxiety, & much agonizing prayer, that God would heal the breaches, & show me, wherein I was culpable, & keep me from evil. —

But, my dear Sister, if these difficulties have arisen through me, or on account of my peculiarities, I am, as yet, unconscious of it — Yea, I can say, I have a consciousness within my bosom, before God, that they have not. I will not repeat difficulties that have occurred — they are exceedingly unpleasant — You must know of many of them, & have been grieved on account of them. —

I will only say, I have tried to do my duty, as far as I knew, to God, & this people. I know some (who have now left us — thank God) have found fault, but my course has been straight forward, in the way, I felt to be right; & I feel very thankful, that I can say, the approving seal of Heaven, has rested on my poor, unworthy labors. To God be all the glory, & praise. I am nothing. I feel incapable to fulfil the responsibilities devolved upon me, but I bear what is laid on me, & do the best I can — then leave all results, & consequences, confidently, with Him who employs me. I would gladly, at any day, yield my place to any, whom God may send,

I hope you will write often — write notes of cheer, prompt to my pen, kindly, affectionately — I would gain so much from your letters — if you could open the way — but cannot, till the Lord shall direct them to my heart, & prepare the way. Lib

You intimate my danger of being "overbearing in my treatment of my associates, & of having my own way in every thing!" because I have been longer at the Mission than any other one — — Thank you my loved Sister, for any such frank expression of your fears — "I love you all the better for it" — & since I read Your letter & Whipples, & your husbands, all applying the rod closely, & my back, I have been led to offer special prayer for you all, & bended thanksgivings to God therefor.

Be plain, frank, faithful — You will not offend me —

But I may be allowed, in all humility, to say, that I think, I have not, been left of God, to manifest any such spirit. If I am ~~not deceived~~, I have not tried to rule, & dictate to others — I offered myself, when I came back last time, to do any thing Dr Cole wished, or directed — to go any where, do any thing, or become any thing, the Mission should say — I have repeatedly expressed myself thus. — But when I was appointed in charge of Kaw Mundi Station, I have felt obligation resting on me, to disapprove of, & oppose, plans of new comers, interfering — as did at Tebb felt — with our interests.

When required I have given my opinion frankly, about the stations, but always allowed each one to do what he thought best. Courses have been pursued, which I should not have done, but I felt it was not my business, —

And, even at K.M. God knows, I have often held my peace, & yielded, to others' desires & opinions, in matters, which my own judgment did not coincide with — but for the sake of peace, I have let all go —

No, my Sister, I feel that I am not guilty of being so unreasonable, as some may have feared, from my natural temperament. Not unto me — but to God be the praise. It is all of His grace —

I am willing to let others think, & act for themselves — & only ask the same thing for myself, & expect always to have it.

When I have told a person what appears to me wrong — & he is not inclined to fall in with me, I do not keep on contending —

Now that I, & Sarah, are gone, I am not aware that there is any longer any disagreement, & jangling among us. So far as I know, we are all of one heart & mind, & the unity — & love we profess to feel for one another is in love, & sympathy. Pray much for us.

I have reproved some of my Associates here, in such a way, I believe I can say, that they "love me all the better for it" — I do, & will try, to be kind, gentle, loving — It is my desire, & my prayer, that, in my intercourse with the Missionaries, the people, & the children, I may be "Gentle as a nurse, cherishing her children" — I am not insensible of my failings — & desire the prayers, & faithful watch care of all my brethren & sisters. I know, that others can more readily see our failings than we can ourselves — hence the need of mutual faithfulness, in checking, & telling each other our faults. —

And now, Sister, please accept my sincere thanks, & suffer me to crave your continued faithfulness toward me in every thing you think to be wrong — or fear of wrong in me — if I can explain to your satisfaction, I will — if not I will confess, & humble myself, & try to do better. —

We have met with severe trials here — which make some almost discouraged. I feel like going home, but I cannot feel thus — I came, with all my heart, to lift up degraded Africa, & expect to toil on, as long as my Master lets me. When I can feel that He calls to another field — I say "Here am I send me — do with me as seemeth thee good" —

The departure of Dr Cole & wife has weakened our number (not our strength) the death of Jane Winters, & Mrs Brooks, has greatly weakened our working strength. The sickness of Brooks, Jeff, &c — almost breaks up Mt Tappan. At all the Stations we are exceedingly weak — greatly needing Laborers. —

May the Lord send them, in his good time, & carry forward the work, in his own way, & to his own glory. —

My health is good — All well at present, except Jeff, & Brooks. Must close, & may prayer —

Your unworthy sister in Christ Eliz Thompson

N.B. Please let me be thought of, & your husband see this, that I may not take time to write them separate things to them — & for read them & from me.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Mr Whipple, This is Mr Thompson's letter to me, which he requests me to show you. You need not take the trouble to return it, as there is nothing in it requiring an answer.

Yours respectfully

Sarah J Lapham

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Rev George Whipple

Rev. Geo. Thompson
Oct 3, 1855
Jan 7, 1856

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For the American Missionary.

Kaw-Mendi Mission Oct 3/55

Death of Mrs Brooks.

Susan Teale, had labored, hard, in Canada, for the poor fugitives, a number of years, & became deeply interested in the welfare of the colored race. She was truly a humble, zealous, indefatigable laborer, & endured fatigue, & much suffering cheerfully, for their sake.—

She came to Mrs Mission in March of this year - was duly married to John S Brooks, according to previous engagement. She labored faithfully a few months, at Good Hope Station, while the Mission House, at McTeppan, was being finished. While there she had the acclimating fever, quite severely, for a short time - but by the blessing of God upon the unwearied care & attendance of her husband, their Mission physician, she was soon about again, & seemed as well as ever.

(a.d.m.) In the month of July, Bro Brooks, took her to McTeppan Station, in the high lands, where we hoped she would enjoy good health, & long labor for the elevation of benighted Africa — (no break)

She there had the care of the girls of the school, & family, assisted by her husband. Letters say she suffered from occasional "chills", which reduced her energies considerably. ~~She could not endure to go out of doors, but little.~~ —

And as she seemed to be failing - & Bro Bro health was also very poor, on the 26th of Sept, he came down to Good Hope, with a view of seeking a passage to America, for the health of both, if suitable arrangements could be made.

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The day after her arrival she had a hard chill, & was very sick; & again, on the next day. On the next morning, she seemed so much better, that she came out to the breakfast table, ate, & enjoyed her meal much — — No break.

In the course of the day, she had another chill - very severe - of the congestive type, & suffered much.

In the night, she was taken with severe "hemorrhage", which was once checked, but came on again, & reduced her strength very much. No break

In addition to this, she ~~was taken, in a manner, with bilious cholic (to which she was subject in America), &~~ suffered extremely from something like Bilious Cholic till she died at 1 o'clock P.M. Sept. 30/55. She was ~~[illegible]~~ to be conscious, & the last, but was unable to speak, for some time, previous to death.

She was also, thought to be affected, with "heart disease", ~~to which~~ before she left ~~was liable, in~~ America —

Sometime Before the hour of her departure, she turned very yellow, all over, which continued, till she was buried.

Her funeral was attended, on 1st Oct. at 2 P.M. The Eng Consul, & others attended, & remarks were made, on the occasion, from the Verse, selected by the husband, (John 17: 24) ~~(by Myself, & Brs Tippt - during which, numbers were observed to weep)~~

Now The Consul led in the concluding prayer, & ~~in solemn procession~~, we, they followed her remains to the silent tomb, where they will rest, till the Resurrection morn. —

Mrs Brooks, had all the tender care, which an affectionate, tender, & devoted husband could bestow upon her. Every thing was done; that human prudence could suggest, yet she was called to leave us, to join the Ransomed company on high, to "be with Her Savior, & behold His glory", as she asked of His Father in the text, above. —

"It is the Lord, let Him do, what seemeth Him good" —

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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In the death of Mrs B. we all feel greatly afflicted, but would say, "The Lord gave, & the Lord hath taken away; & blessed be the name of the Lord"—

We are comforted in the assurance that the work is the Lord's—that He is much more interested in its accomplishment, than we can be—that He understands perfectly what means will best advance it, & that He will carry it forward, even though it be through feeble instrumentality, to the greater magnifying of His mighty, & adorable grace.—

As He has taught us to pray for Laborers, so will we continue to cry to God, & to man, that our number may be yet more increased, that we may spread the light of Salvation, thro' all this dark land.—

That there will be great suffering, & sacrifice of life, in carrying forward this ~~great~~ glorious work, all must fully understand—but what great, & good work, was ever yet carried forward without suffering? Does not the life of our Savior, & the whole history of this cause, show that "The blood of the Martyrs, is the seed of the Church"?—

And is not Africa to be redeemed? Is she not degraded?—Must she not be elevated? And because we must suffer, much, & many die, before the work can be completed, shall we therefore stand back, ~~refuse to do our part~~? This is not the way, the worldling does, in accomplishing his designs.

May the Lord choose His own Laborers, & send them, in His good time—& save this long oppressed people.

I rejoice to add, that the grace of our Savior has been granted to Bro Brooks, in his affliction, so that he can say, "It is well".

By a short residence on salt water, his health, has also greatly improved, so that he will not go to America, for the present.

In view of death, Mrs B. was always cheerful, & happy—"ready to depart", in God's own good time.

Yours Bro Geo Thompson—

Tour Mendi. Oct 3/57

Dear Bro. Whipple, [illegible] we returned from Good Hope
from the general of our [illegible] Sister Brooks - & from attending to
other important business, [illegible] I herewith communicate to you.
It is known to you that for a long time, we, as a Mission, have
been tried with the peculiarities of Br T G Cole & M B Adams -
We all felt, lately, that we could not keep still [illegible] longer,
without guilt - & accordingly, while all together at G H
we consulted, & came to the conclusion, that inasmuch as
they could labor in peace with no member of the Mission -
that their influence over the natives, in every place, was
not good, & calculated to lead them to the Savior - that they
did not seem inclined to [illegible] much, & were continually finding
fault with others, & complaining of their burdens - the view
of the fact that their intimacy, has become a scandal,
to the Mission, & cause of Christ, in Town, & in all this
country, among people, & children - we therefore laid
the case before him (Br C) & told him our feelings, frankly.
We said, if the Mission did not wish him to be here, he
[redacted] Stayed - We was frankly
[redacted] opinion of all the others, that it
would be better for the Mission, should both he & wife at
home, to return no more -
And a written Resolution, to this effect, has been prepared, &
signed by all here, & sent to G H to be signed there, & given
to Br Cole -
I merely state these facts, that you may know, our feelings,
& what we have done -
We all feel that we shall be stronger without them - & the
sooner they are gone, the better. - Should you desire full facts,
& particulars they are gone, the better. - Should you desire full facts,
& a long
charges, more than you have read before - you have but to let us know,
page can be filled, at once - but, if it can be got along without, for their
sake, we would rather keep still. Yours &c Geo Thompson

Rev. J. Thompson

Oct 3/58

Dr. Cole

Mrs Allison

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Good Hope Oct 4th 1855

Dear Brothers and Sisters of Mendi Mission.

Three years ago now, feeling called by God to do so, I gave myself to Mendi mission, thus sacrificing all the endearments of my native land, the privileges of civilization and society, and above all the sweet enjoyment of a happy home and the society of loved ones expecting to meet them no more on earth; some of which have already gone to the spirit land. Though great the sacrifice and severe the trial to part with these objects of my love, endeared to me by a thousand tender ties, and take my abode amongst perhaps the most debased, benighted and darken people on the broad earth, beneath a tropical sun, and if not the most, one of the most unhealthful climates in the world; yet I did it cheerfully, yea with pleasure, that I might be instrumental of doing something for the advancement of Christ's kingdom and the salvation of the sable sons and daughters of poor degraded Africa. On these shores I have been permitted to labour and to suffer in various ways; the withering hand of disease has laid its fierce grasp upon my frail frame and withered it vital strength and held me prostrate for many a long day and weary week; my heart has been pierced by the sorrowful intelligence that a fondly loved Mother has taken her exit from the shores of time, yet cheered by the evidence that she was abundantly prepared for an entrance into those mansions which Christ has prepared for those that love him. Amongst her last words were expressions of deep interest for me and for this mission and appeals to point other to it as their field of labour for future usefulness; but my greatest trials have been in connexion with the differences which have existed between me and my missionary brethren and sisters; and my most severe

sufferings have been the wrongs which I have received from this direction. Their course of action towards me has been that of coldness, indifference, dislike, neglect, distrust and want of confidence. I have been the subject of their scoff, their scorn, ridicule and slander. By them I have been falsely represented and in turn ~~falsely~~ charged with falsehood, — by them I have been represented as being the great disturber of the peace of the mission — of being cruel in my censures unjust unkind and ungrateful. I have been called a Judas and compared to satan — I have been left to suffer uncared for in sickness, — I have been refused even a cup of cold water when it was in reach of those standing by my bed side while I was suffering the most extreme nervous excitement, physical debility and thirst of a raging fever; and was told at the same time, not to ring my bell to make my wants known for it would not be responded to if I did, by any one — that I looked as if I were not long for earth, but I must lie and grin and bear it without attention from others even if I died. I was refused when asked to have a hired woman allowed to sponge me off when in a condition which, I will spare myself the suffering it would give me to think of long enough to describe. Indeed to attempt a description of my suffering would be vain, for language would fail to describe or pencil to paint the suffering that I have endured both mental and physical since I left the shores of America; so I will turn from this to another side of the picture. There has been most or all of the time, more or less individuals in the mission who have acted the part of christian and friend, and when where I was were ready and willing to attend to my necessities and administer to my wants. For this I thank both them and

God. Since coming here I have been permitted to labour as well as suffer. My labours in the different schools have been pleasing and interesting. It has been my privalege to watch and wait around the sick beds of our Missionaries and their children; in some cases when there were no others to do it: this has been an inestimable privalege to me — it has been mine to administer to the dying wants and gave the last expiring breath of some — I have here been permitted to labour, in connection with others, to lay the foundation of this Station; where I trust the gospel banner will be unfurled in all its purity — where divine rays will eminate which will shine over this Island and all the surrounding country — here a large number of native children have been taken from all the idolatry, the ignorence cruelty and superstition of heathenism, and placed under the influence of civilization and the gospel where we hope they may be trained for God; for usefulness here and glory hereafter — These children have been brought to me naked and I have clothed them, with garments of my own hands making. I have watched over and cared for by day and by night; have prayed with and for them, and first taught their lips to say "Our Father which art in heaven" and have led them step by step, taught them letter by letter until I have been permitted to hear some of them read intelligibly from day to day out of God's sacred word — I have assisted in putting in motion springs that I trust will not cease to move for good through the endless ages of eternity. In all these I feel a thousand times repaid for all the sacrifice and suffering that I have endured. Mine has been a — "privilege beyond the common run of virtuous life quite in the verge of heaven" Now I leave (at your bidding) all these scenes. I leave my labours and their results in the hands of God. These little ones too I leave, and am thankful that I can leave them in the care of those who will feel and

more than my place — I leave you an injured, wronged, suffering and wounded sister; but there is a balm for the wound; and I thank God that I feel its application now to my bleeding breast. On yon boisterous billows I see that loved form and hear sweet voice saying "it is I be not afraid,"

I can call you all dear Brothers and Sisters, for I can forgive the past for Christ's sake, hoping that God has forgiven or will forgive all for his sake. I can call you christians and trust you are, notwithstanding these your great sins and christian imperfections — I also am a sinful erring one like you and have committed many wrongs since ~~living~~ being with you; and such as I have not made reparation for, please point them out to me and I will try and do so now; and desire to be forgiven as I have forgiven you — My love and interest for the mission is all that it ever has been, and I trust that it will ever be the same —

May God be with you, his blessings rest down upon you and your labours here — may peace and prosperity attend your course when I am far away — May God give you strength for all your arduous labours, for all your trials and afflictions while here, may you have his support in the hour of death, and when done with earth and all its sufferings may we be permitted to meet around God's holy throne, where parting, sorrow, suffering, sighing and wounded bleeding hearts shall be known no more forever is the wish of ~~your~~

Your Sister in Christ

Mary B Aldrich

Miss Mary B. Aldrich to the Mission Oct 24, 1855

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES NO. FISK UNIV.

Rev. J. S. Brooks
Oct 14 & 17. 1855

Dr & Mrs Cole,

Room.

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Good Hope Mission Ga. Oct. 16. 1875

Rev. Rev. Whipple
Cor. Sec. A. M. A.

My dear Brother

A meeting of the members of Mendi Mission convened at Good Hope this evening to consider a request made by Sister Aldrich to be dismissed from the Mission and stated the necessity urged to retain her as a teacher. Charging her associate with injustice and want of christian spirit* in judging that she had done wrong and injured the cause of Christ by a too familiar intimacy with Dr. Cole thereby she ought to be marked and to remain without first mentioning the matter to her.

The meeting was formally organized and opened by prayer. The following members were present, R. C. Jeffs, J. E. Burton, T. G. Cole, M. B. Aldrich & J. C. Brooks, Geo Thompson.

After a statement of the misunderstanding existing with Sister Aldrich case and her grounds for grief from the charges made, were read to Sister Aldrich & Bros Jeffs Burton, Thompson & Brooks of having wronged her in the matter complained of though it was at the time thought sufficient to speak to Dr. Cole, but this was not urged as an excuse. For this inadvertent act and other neglects of like nature the Brethren asked for and received forgiveness.

During the meeting all the difficulties which have existed between Sister Aldrich and others since her arrival in Africa were referred to some of which were explained and reasons offered to the satisfaction of all present. Other things brought up

by Sister Aldrich, and the Brethren were dismissed without explanations for want of time.

In view of all that has passed, Sister Aldrich renews her request. At this stage of the meeting Dr. Cole requested to be allowed to go to America, for reasons similar to those expressed by Sister Aldrich.

The following resolutions were then offered, and passed,

1st The Members of Mendi Mission unanimously recommend it advisable for our Associate D. L. G. Cole and Miss M. A. Aldrich, to visit America for any length of time which may be thought necessary or best.

2d That the funds be provided by the Mission to defray the expense of such voyage.

3d That D. W. Burton, and wife be, and hereby are, appointed to take charge of Good Hope Station, and the General Store, until further arrangements can be made. And that Bro. D. W. Hickinger be requested to do the preaching at the same place and render such other assistance as he may be able.

The meeting then adjourned without date.

R.

John Brooks, Chr. pro tem.

Oct 17. Fredtown. I am happy to say that Br. & Sis. Cole do not charge their associates with a want of Christian Spirit, as represented in this report but merely regard their conduct in the matter in the light of error in judgment and want of frankness. As the report may seem to imply that by the mutual concessions made at the meeting the cause for Sis. Mary Aldrich's request to be sent to the committee were removed, tho there were concessions made the necessity for her removal was the same to her mind. So that when she was asked by the Chair, if she continued in the same mind as to going to Demerara she answered that her mind was unchanged, that she felt compelled to press her request. Br. Cole is represented in the Report as giving reasons for requesting to go to Demerara but informs me that he gave none, but simply asked to go.

Yours,

John L. Worley

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Wheelock Mission Good Hope Station
Friday Sept 5th 1835

Dear Missionaries of Wheelock Mission -

Feeling after considering the condition of feeling that has existed towards us concerning us, and still exists; and the declarations made by you, that the cause of God, which is, now, dearer than all or any other cause; or than even life itself; has been injured by an intimacy, which, unknown to us till too late to obviate it, has grieved your hearts, and caused you to do as you have; and being desirous of doing what may still be left in our power to counteract any evil that may have been brought upon the cause of our Lord Jesus Christ, and seeing there is but one course that would do this effectually; and having considered the matter well in the fear of God, and love to his cause, and his creatures; and knowing that in the cause, all lesser obligations should give way to the first and great end of Christ visit to our fallen Earth, the Salvation of Sinners; and feeling that if our influence does exist destructive to the good influence of others by any act or course of our own; it is our duty to remove it if possible, and leave the labors of others, and the holy cause unburdened of all such things - we cheerfully lay aside all other interests that may conflict, and give ourselves to the effort -

Having in the providence of God been so variously related to each other in such ways as to unfold to us a knowledge of Each to Each that we may be associated, and live in mutual happiness, and reciprocal love - by the grace of God, on which alone for all things

We depend; we have thought it best to do publicly that which so far as we ~~have~~ ~~that~~ can do; shall take from the minds of community any thoughts that shall be injurious to others; and therefore request that Br. Rev. Jno. S. Brooks publicly, in the Chapel on Sabbath next after Divine service prepare the marriage ceremony for, and unite in the bonds of holy Matrimony

Your Brs & Sists in Christ

P. Cole

Mary B. Aldrich

Copy

Copy of Mr. Aldrich's letter to the inspectors
Oct. 6, 1856
E. Cooper

Good Hope Station. Oct 5/58.—

Beloved Bro. Whipple. The next day after returning from Gt. Letters, the boat, [illegible] for Bro Tuttle & myself, to come back, at once, to talk over matters more fully, about the Dr. & Mary. Yesterday morn, we started — arrived at 12½ — & last aft had a meeting, when many things were talked [illegible]

Many felt she was injured, because we had said the Dr. & she ought to get married, & go home — without first talking to her about it. We all saw our error, & frankly confessed it to her. The reasons she was not talked to, were (1) We were in too great a hurry, & forg at it. The tide was losing & time were anxious to go. & it was overlooked. (2) We had all supposed, for a certainty that they intended marriage, & did not therefore feel at liberty, to meddle with them, but were all anxious, & urgent, that they should be married. But when the Dr. was spoken to, & denied that there was any such intention, we ought to have talked with Mary about it — but as I have said, it was neglected — we confessed it & she said she forgave all —

But in view of the feeling towards her, she felt that she must go home at once. & we all felt that the interests of the Mission required it. & she has not got along, without greatly wounding Mr Burton, & every other lady, who has lived with him — not intentionally, I would believe, but by her way — & we told her so — she confessed the fact — but, of course, tried to make her side appear plausible — which does not, & cannot alter the facts.

The Dr's case was also [illegible], & some confessions made, on both sides — he also would show reasons, & causes for all his course, which, of course, we cannot see as he does — but desire to part friends. —

When, it was decided that he should go home, the next day, he very kindly (as he confesses) charged on Daniel, & Wife the cause of all his trouble — which, of course, we all know to be not so — it grieved Daniel & Wife very much, so that she wished to be released at once from the Mission — as she did not wish such blame — We would have you understand that we are all united in feeling that Dr C. & M. B. A. should go home.

We have given them each a Resolution, saying that it is their expedient, by the Mission, that they go home —, & that [illegible] provided — & they both say, they shall go, as soon as [illegible] Burton, & wife are appointed, to this Station, till such [illegible] can be made — & Bro Tuttle is willing to do the preaching —

Now Bro George — these things have been exceedingly [illegible] The Dr says the Lord has been teaching him good lessons, by all [illegible] & I think they will be a blessing to him — & I hope they will be to all [illegible] he does not seem to be sensible of the failings we all see —

I shall learn a lesson to be more faithful, at the time of [illegible] doing wrong. We all feel that we shall [illegible] by these [illegible]

Yr Bro Geo Thompson

We all would wish other situations, but a living, & [illegible] to have, they can be put [illegible] we are the [illegible] more faithful. I hope they will be [illegible]

Rev. G. Thompson

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Good Hope Oct. 6th 1855

Dear brother Whipple,

It seems by recent events that have transpired here, to have become my duty to remain at this station for the present, and I cheerfully yield to the wish of my brethren, and give up all expectation of locating at a station back in the country for the present, This I regard to be my duty, I have labored hard in trying to procure a situation for a mission at Woela, and have been there 9 times for that purpose, and expended a considerable amount of money, as you will see by the reports from the mission, but have thus far been disappointed, and my way seems hedged up, so that in making up my mind to remain here, I feel that I am following the leadings of Gods providence,

The opposing influence at Woela is entirely Mohamedan, and I very much fear that this is soon to be the controlling influence of this part of Africa,

I have made a proposition to Mr Nathan, to furnish the Mission with what goods we may need to purchase here, at 33⅓ percent on the original cost, and pay him quarterly, in bills on the Treas of A. M. A. at thirty days sight, and I am quite sure that I can make such an arrangement with him.

I will try to keep you informed as well as I can, of the condition of the financial affairs of the Mission, and should be very thankful for any suggestions that you may from time to time make with regard to the business, for I feel very ignorant of these matters, I still feel as I have before expressed to you with regard to procuring our supplies mostly from America, I think that we can get better articles, and get them so as to make more profit on them, Our laborers are so ignorant an unfaithful, that unless we get a large profit on the goods, the labor costs too much, I shall feel obliged to make some additions to the buildings here this dry season, in order to arrange things so as to be able to carry out what I regard to be correct views in training up these children, We now have 18 children at this station, and we feel quite encouraged with regard to them, Mrs Burton and myself are now enjoying very good health, Mrs Burton has not been sick much since she arrived in Africa the last time, and is now much more fleshy than she was then, She has had the entire charge of the family for the last 5 months, with no one to assist her but a boy whome we hire to work in the kitchen, and the little heathen children who have not yet been in the mission one year,

I have been astonished at the course pursued by Dr Cole & Miss Aldrich during the past six months, I think they have disgraced themselves, and the cause in which we are engaged, by their imprudent intimacy; and I think that the effect has been such upon the people around us, and upon our older children as to destroy their influence for good at this place, and counteract much that might have been accomplished by others, They justify the course they have taken, and condemn the action of the Mission ~~Mission~~ company,

I regret very much that any such things have transpired, and think the blame should rest much more upon the Dr than upon Miss Aldrich, but I suppose that you will have the particulars from others, and I would rather be silent about it.

Very truly Your brother in Christ,

J. W. Burton.

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Good Hope 9th Oct. 1853

Dear Bro Whipple

Although sick having had fever since friday night. yet I feel that I cannot let Dr Cole leave us without doing all I can to make his path as smooth as possible after his arrival in America.

In the course of our conversation, last week, with him relative to his undue intimacy with Miss W. Baldrich. our own matter came up for review somewhat. I ascertained that he had forgotten some things & misunderstood others. The result of this conversation was that we mutually asked forgiveness for any thing which might have been wrong. This I rejoice in very much. We now part friends as far as I know. At least this is now my part. I am exceedingly grieved that Dr & Mrs Cole leave us as they do. But I see not how we can have peace if they remain.

Love to all

In haste

Your Missionary

J. Cutler Tefft

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Rev Geo Whipple and Lady
of A M A & B Bedford Ohio U.S.

My dear Brother

By one of the most distressing providences connected with my short life, it becomes my duty to open the quarterly report of Bonna Lake Station, ~~for the last quarter~~ with a necessity of ~~our sorrow~~. The quarter commenced and passed away with the brightest hopes filling our hearts, ~~and the light of hope brightest~~ shining and inviting us to renewed and double diligence ~~and~~ while they promised a ~~state~~ of things we had long desired to see. We ~~during the quarter we have passed~~ ~~time, been informed~~ ~~we had been~~ blessed with the comforts and advantages of a full family circle. The children were favored with the tender care, example, and pious instructions of ~~a mother~~ one wife, who felt it her chief happiness to recommend in all she said and did. The religion of her Christ, to do some good every day, was what she strove for, and I feel that I can confidently say that on this respect she did not fail of accomplishing her ~~[illegible]~~ wishes, though she was daily regretting that she accomplished so little.

The light which made the last quarter so bright has departed ~~[illegible]~~. My dear wife has finished her work for a season, darkness declares ~~that~~ in our bright mission home. The dear children who have been ~~[illegible]~~ with us so many pious lessons on ~~[illegible]~~ ~~the end~~ ~~gone happy home~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ and unhappy. ~~The last one of our social circle~~

[illegible] painful pass[illegible] life and started in [illegible] at our feet. In this solemn dispensation of Divine Providence I felt that I am left alone, to weep for my self, for the mission, and especially for our Brown Station. Yet I am not alone. Never has one friend under a sure sympathizing friends in affliction, than I have found in my associates. They feel themselves smitten and drink deeply of my sorrow. Some of our people have written me some most affecting, kind and sympathizing letters, which make me feel that God hath not forgotten me or afflicted my [illegible] without [illegible] in [illegible] but for [illegible] purposes of mercy to us all. It is hard for human nature to feel but the spirit is submissive humble and [illegible] at Jesus feet, willing to do, and to be done by, as shall please the Lord. Returning the quarterly pass at Mr Brown's [illegible] connected with the station are convinced I am satisfied that good has been accomplished. Mrs Brown, She was the first white woman who ever visited the Brown & Bonny country. Up to this time women was unknown and have to make their efforts to teach them themselves. So a little example was necessary. Again, circumstances have been such since I have been in Africa that my judgment, views and principles have been misunderstood. I have felt it necessary to avoid the appearance of evil, and have kept my views from my associates. Society, so much, that I am, among the country natives, distinguished from my associates by the epithet "platform of cannon". This as might be expected has prevented my doing much good among the natives. Taking my wife to the table again the natives are ignorant what a woman should be, and what she was in the church of God. But the manner in which we lived, showed them that the sphere of woman

[illegible]

had been misunderstood. Till then christian principle had received little or no credit. Now I stand before that people in a more consistent light, and hope I may be able to do more good. Sweet peace, mutual love, and an abiding christian principle are more potent in their effects than the best sermons preached every day.

Most few are better prepared for sudden death than was Mrs Brooks. From the time she first viewed this as her place of late death had been more frame usually a subject of thought. After our marriage we made it a subject of daily conversation and I have so to live that we should have no regret when brought to the bed of death. After her removal to Brown Tale we were left to look upon our future as clouded with the prospect of my being soon called to go from my labors. My health was poor the asthmatic affection I received last harvesting grew on me as the rains began to break and the temperature began to lower, this led us to fear the coming harvesting season for we had grown to view death as approaching with certain steps with confidence. We felt that one of the most interesting data of the relations we sustained to each other, was to make each this passage to the tomb as smooth and pleasant as mutual piety and familiarity with death by conversation and prayer, could make it. Under certain circumstances. ~~Such a tendency and my failing health~~ favored these reflections, ~~[illegible]~~ and made the subject seem a reality. Our last conversation was of this nature, though we did not look upon the day before her death to be ~~[illegible]~~ visit our friends in America together, yet there was such a strange indefiniteness in our hopes and expectations that we could not resist the thought that death might disappoint us. In ways on ~~[illegible]~~ ways, ~~[illegible]~~ always right.

As you have doubtless learned the particulars of our sad illness and death from other sources, I will only say, in this letter of our recent loss, the greatest pain to me being that we could not wish to be in the time of sore distress with the sympathy, and Christian help of my dear Susan to change a single date in our communications. Perfect love and friendship were always before us. We lived not for ourselves but for the cause we were engaged in, and given up to it.

The schools have not been attended as we could wish. Mr. Jeffers has been in such feeble health that he has not been able to be at his post. Consequently I have had far too much to do. During the quarter our school at Mt. Gilboa has been so opened with the children, and a night school commenced at Sunbury & at Mt. Zion, the former of 60 pupils, the latter of 6. ~~Mr. Pitt has charge of the two first and William B. Jacker of the latter. Miss Jane is with the boarding school at Mt. Zion.~~ Our school at Gilboa is yet unsupplied with a teacher. Mr. Wilson who formerly occupied that school has been among his friends in Lycoming for the last quarter.

Thus have been our circumstances, with our small band. Church of deep interest. Preaching has been the common theme, and a law made forbidding trade on the Sabbath, the penalty of which is the confiscation of all their merchandise. The natives also are restrained in their labors and order to attend divine service. Some of the people have held prayer meetings together which gives us some hope of being able to turn their precious souls, through them, prayer and motives may, not only ~~not~~ better than as if they were making serving the pastor or worshipping idols. ~~[illegible]~~

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sufficient conclusive that the dead [illegible] it is given to them and another undertaken for the individual himself.

I have four very interesting stories to tell you connected with this peculiar subject then I shall introduce another form of Idolatry for this people have "gods many and lords many".

A number of years ago, Bompy, the chief town in this country was surrounded by a very strong "war" in which several tribes were joined. During many months the two parties fought and wearied each other until at length the warriors of Bompy held a council to unite themselves in one grand effort to destroy the enemy around them. While convened they called the fetish man of the war to consult the spirits of the dead. He pretended to discover that the spirits of their distinguished dead were jealous of the fame of their present leader and were bent on his destruction and that if he would give himself up to the army to be killed the residue could by the aid of the spirits of their fathers easily vanquish the foe, and save their town and country. The noble but superstitious man arose, stripped himself of his armour of charms, and divided them together with his weapons of war, between his two sons reserving to himself a heavy cutlass. ~~[illegible]~~ He then turned himself to the chiefs and warriors around him and gave them an affectionate farewell committing his family and sons especially to the care of the chiefs. Then raising himself to the highest pitch of enthusiasm of making (a war dance) he ordered his men to the final struggle. Expecting death he was determined to sell his life at the highest price. He rushed upon the lines of the enemy and cutting it away plunged into the crowd

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Their ideas of religion are simply these. They believe it to be a matter of free grace with people as they do that we have [illegible] things, nice money as they call it, wealth and comforts of life, they conclude that [illegible] on free grace are more favored than them, and our devils are wiser & more powerful than theirs, but no idea of merit is connected with their actions of religion. They pray, but for what? They speak of their desire to be like us, to have good weather &c. but what does such language in them mean? Their prayers are such as they make to their wood and stone, to the big big devil, the tree, or their country fashion. They pray for their fellows trade, for success in war, to be kept from sickness, to be helped by spirits and devils to hide their souls in darkness, to be kept from falling, from serpents, crocodiles, lions & death, and they call upon God in connection with the Earth, the deputed wife of their chief deity, and their other idols. [illegible] Christianity, they pray but they know not what they do. They pray, they believe, but what [illegible] be the [illegible] minds. Is one the naked fact in of an [illegible], I cannot know the circumstances, the training, the hopes accompanying prayer. Boys connected with our schools have lately declared to their associates that we had a great devil in America on whom we were dependent for our good things. If this is heathen conception in our great [illegible] trained to our Bible, prayer and confession, we have strong grounds to fear and tremble for the issue. This is the case among a great many professors of religion. With whom is an argument against the [illegible] of our heathen education? We are not to look for freedom from all the influence of heathenism in our converts I grant, but we

I should not overlook them, neither our eyes ~~something to see~~ the blending ~~& spreading~~ of heathen is and ~~[illegible]~~ to supersede with the outward forms ~~[illegible]~~ of the religion. I feel it my duty to inquire into the nature of these things especially in this country where Christian & heathen are intermixed ~~[illegible]~~ in order to what we are. It simply shows which way the wind blows. So far and so far only can I reason in what mine eyes see and my understanding. I speak of heathen converts. It pains me that I should ever have to credit the grievousness of the want of grace in the hearts of many but because I feel my own weakness and in order to remove the blame of any charge as I should do if that cause or superior family worship and I feel the sins I in order to what we may expect ~~[illegible]~~ one of our converts ~~[illegible]~~ understand and the way of life, but these are ~~[illegible]~~ full of darkness and superstition ~~[illegible]~~ These things are to be expected. Conversation will not soon quit its hold on the mind. It does not do so in America why should we expect different results here. Men ~~[illegible]~~ in a very opinion of the effect of our labors the profit of our converts &c, in the same way that they suppose Missionaries to be better more holy and more heaven than others. On this false opinion arises many false hopes and expectations which must necessarily be disappointed. ~~[illegible]~~ the language of hopeless discouragement. I say to the I am just compelled as respect as interest as before. ~~[illegible]~~ Christ reign till the Evening as well as other parts of the world be put under his feet. What I say in the fields has never been the work of my life. My feet stand on a stronger rock my hopes for the future

of Christ rests on the promises of God and a single word of which shall not pass unfulfilled. The discouragements or encouragements weigh but slightly in this matter. If God be for us, who shall be against us? God hath purposed to save the heathen. If he has said so, not all the worlds he has not spoken, in ignorance of the consequences or indifference in regard to the circumstances, hastens the fulfillment of his purposes and commands. On this faith my heart rests. As for me, it does not become us to inquire further.

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If we expect ignorant heathens to be converted & made to understand the doctrine and commandments of the New Testament so as to live consistent Christian lives and so short a time as could be reasonable in America, we should show ourselves as ignorant of human nature and the working of divine grace in the heart of the ignorant as are the heathen of God and his works. I am not surprised at the ignorance and sins of our converts. I am only surprised that any only so and then in the light of consistent intelligent Christians. Our best members of the Church deserve more charity and less censure for gross departures from written than the ignorant in our Christian churches deserve when they fully turning aside from the life of a Christian.

We have been having some trials in our church about the time I left Boom Falls. I will not have attempt to give particulars but will only say that William has been detected in improper intimacy with Anna E. Brainard who is his intended wife. He has acknowledged his sin but I have not time to lay the case before the Church. William is a member of Boom Falls Church, Anna of New Mendi Church. The circumstances are known to the Missionaries who will attend to the matter during my absence. They are now at New Mendi. The other members of the Church are as prosperous as can be expected. We hope and trust to be prospered in Jesus.

As I have before said in other letters to Sister Still I say of the war. We look for disturbances this dry season. The Missionary may not be disturbed yet I expect we shall be troubled enough.

Aside from the war question I feel more confident of success than at any other time in the short history of our Boom Station. The Lord has blessed and do the still bless. The field is widening, we are obliged to occupy more ground. We do more, have more Schools, preach more & visit more every week we occupy the Boom Station. It seems that we have no power to hold back. O that we could have help. We need it. We must have help. By the grace of God peace shall reign on this river among your Missionaries. The Lord will help us.

Br. Jeff has not been able to do much for the station and I fear he will not do much this season. I am sorry to say that I fear he is not long for this field of labor. He has little strength the least effort prostrates him. His complexion is sallow. Kidneys and liver are affected. Br. Thompson is expecting to travel during the dries and return to Liberia in the spring I believe he ought to go to America we all feel. It seems cruel a sin to neglect a wife as he has his. If this should be thus Br. Jeff will be obliged to stay at Kaw Mendi. And I shall be alone at Boom Falls. O how trying to my heart. I am to try to do all a Missionary ought to do. Brother it is too hard. but the worlds will be alone.

My own health is not the best. Many times I may not be able to care but little which. If I can do more perhaps I would gladly live to do it. If the Lord should call me to glad the field by death I shall be glad to go at his command. Death is a friend I have for some months expected soon. I do not feel as confident of life as I have done. I am not discouraged or down hearted nor I hope they to the grave be but one step away. Here and there I do love let see work to my prayers. Yours affectionately John L. Brooks

W. E. H. MARCH
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Flair Mount Oct 17/71

My dearly Beloved Bro Whipple, The I have written a number of times, lately, to you, yet, having, I fear, not received your kind & faithful letter of Aug 13/71, I write & answer — I wrote you last, from Good Hope, giving an account of our action on Br Ex's case, with B. M. (Chase married) —

They then, both declared, they had not, never had any intention of marriage — & the Dr. has said again, & again, that such were his relations to Lowe, as he utterly forbid such union, if they desired it. —

I left on Friday A.M. — Sept — says that same P.M. the Dr began to talk with him, & Bro Brooks, about his marrying Mary — & both advised not, after all that had been said — that same night, I think, he addressed a letter to them stating they wished to be married on Saturday P.M. — & Bro B. did it! — I hope they may live happily — but it was a strange case — they might have courted mightily, just in a few hours, if they never had any understanding on the subject, before. —

They have gone to town — & I suppose will go home. The they will have much to say — I leave them —

Bro Tappan remained till Tuesday (9th) but was quite sick after Sept — became up here sick — & has been very sick since he came. We have doubted his getting up, & almost expected his death, daily — but now seems much better. I was with him last night, considerably today —

But for his sickness, I should now have been on my way to Mo Tappan, to look after things there, a few weeks, while Br Brooks has gone to town, trying to recruit his health, & Everything might be obliged to go home, this fall — but Lord or, & prospect his labors, they get things more firmly established — But now I am here, for the present — & Daniel is alone at Elm Thicketing, being gone with Brooks

Oct 17/71 Bro Tappan died last evening, at 7 o'clock — for particulars see Complete What Lovin will do. I can't write more. If he lives, I go home, at once — but if he dies, decisively, stay a week. I believe I ought to stay. I think she is in a state of hysteria.

With all faithfulness. You speak of my relations with Br. Stuey.
Now my dear Brother, let me say, none welcomed him & more sincerely than I did - none did more to persuade him to remain.
I esteemed him very highly; & was rejoiced to see such a strong man enter the field. I gave him my hand & heart, & did all I could to interest him deeply, in the Mission. And I again repeat my firm belief that had he lived at Kilk. (where he was first appt.), & had opportunity to see things, thoroughly, in all their colors - had he travelled with me, instead of with Dr. C. &c., he would have had different impressions respecting the Country, & the field before us.

But I am exceedingly rejoiced to hear that he talked so favorably (as I charged him, solemnly), as he did - I knew he would be obliged to, if he told his story as things are. But I did fear, & I was, by no means alone in my fears.

In my correspondence with him here, (after we saw each other no more - could we have met face to face, we might have understood each other better) I wrote in all faithfulness, & love, & frankness, pointing out what I considered wrong, & trying to correct it. I did not keep a copy of the notes, but so far as I can remember, I should be willing to meet them all, in public, if necessary. I think I read all to the company here, at the table, & had their approbation before I sent them to him. This is my general course.

I highly appreciate his sterling worth, & earnestly desire to see his superior judgment exercised in redeeming Africa.

I remember, I felt was too old to come here.

You think I "mistake entirely. Br. Stuey's feelings, & opinions about me, & the work here". You judge by what he said in New York. I judge by what he said here. What his inward convictions were, I know not - I only judged by expressions. But have all that. Therein I erred. I am sorry. I am very glad that he has felt it his duty to plead for Africa. I told him, I would honor & pray for him, if he did not. So I

"You speak of my "using you to make trouble between the Brethren & their Board" – Pray How? Bro Whipple. By requesting you to send my letters, as soon as possible? But is not this your duty? Do you not do the same, with hundreds of letters? It is not for you, or any other one, to know the contents – And how can it be said, in any way, that you are implicated in this matter? I cant see.

"Do not make use of me again in that way." What, must I not send letters to you & forward to my friends, Editors, &c? – Does it not wear this appearance? For what else have you done? Have merely forward the letters sent to your care? – If I may not thus send letters, to you, to mail, please let me know, & I will seek some other one, to oblige me. I do not certainly wish to make you any difficulty, or unpleasant feelings – Be frank with me.

As to "tattling" Bro Shuey, the letters were intended as sent, if it is Christian, not at all –

Should Bro Shuey come, & give a dark view of things here – misrepresent, & discourage giving, lest they were meant, to cast him off, which I considered proper, & duty, to the Mission & the Church – But, should he, as some, make a favorable report (as you say he did – thank God) the letters were not sent, as to interfere with, or hurt him in the least. His name was not mentioned in them to disadvantage – nor was any thing said to the Editors to let them know the contents of the letters – & since there was nothing said, to stand in his way, if he did his duty to Africa, to the Churches, & God. I see not wherein I did wrong, in writing the letters, nor in requesting you to forward them quick.

I write only facts – interesting, & important facts, which all the Churches should know, & which I wish were in every paper in the land. ——

So, I do not see, in this thing, I have "acted improperly," & thereby the tender of hearts and [illegible] [illegible] me. –

I should not make the impression that I think there was an effort to prejudice the minds of new comers against me -- It was against Sam Mendé, & against R. M., almost every new comer, from Comdt. down, that has stopped there some time, before coming. & seeing things here, has become prejudiced against R. M. Knowing that such was the effect, I hurried to get Susan Norley, & Jane Winters, here as soon as possible. The result was, a hearty interest in the work, from Sam Mendé & Shuey, may say what he may in N.Y. - he partook of that same evil influence, strongly, before he went home -
I am rejoiced to know he did not show it in New York -

The Resolutions - or Rules - See L. Tappan's letter of same date of this, for my remarks -

With your explanation of mixing Bettenier, & Thomity, I have no patience - It is to be expected that such things would be - but such things are not to be brought against R. M. more than any unfair statement made -

It was an objection to Tells, as it came from Shuey - & tell he has a chance to know what is here, more than he did has no right to make any such remarks about us - And especially when all without exception, who lived here, & knew, talked a different story -

But may the Lord bless him, & send labourers -

I think you for sending the saddle, as we could not move in all Freetown -

The boss is as fat as a hog, & the sisters enjoy their rides -

I have written many plain things, to you, in letters before, which, perhaps, no other one would - & may meet with censure - it as I seem to it -

See L. Tappan's, & his Wife's letters from me -

My own health is good - Susan's, Mary's, Mose's, Louisa's, Br Asa Burton's - Now that the Dr & Mary are gone, I expect Daniel will do something

Mark love & many prayers & you Br Geo Thompson

Rev. G. Thompson
Oct 1/55
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N.A.A. ARCHIVES
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October. Dear Brother - I just called upon to make a few comments on the recent difficulties or rather the recent development of old and new difficulties which took place at Good Hope during my short stay I made there. Your recent letter left, 6th by Eighteen I am sorry to give you occasion to feel grieved. I have been painful time & again by the difficulties existing among at others I could dwell in the wilderness where I might not hear, or be the stripe of Christian Missionaries. God be thanked that I have been, so much of the time, separated from the company of Missionaries at G. H. & B. M. for I am not better than they, and should have had my trials and difficulties, my dissatisfaction and murmurings - my good & ill and impressions on the common occasion of strife by which they would have been tried and reproved more than they have been. I cannot give you a correct idea of the recent matter, without entering into all the particulars in doing this I am aware that I have my admirations, which will give a shade of light too strong on the one side, which it will depose me to throw some shade of darkness too strong on the other, which will make the matter from the real truth. I am sorry this is, but such is human nature. As human beings we must be human! God forgive us.

I arrived at Good Hope on Tuesday evening. On Wednesday morning Br. Taylor requested me to go aside with him for conversation, he related some facts about Dr. Cole & Sister Mary. He said they were injuring the cause of Christ, that all regarded Sis. Mary as the Dr's wife. That the Children at Good Hope were in the habit of laughing about it & that Sister Barlow often had to reprove them. That he had received his formal in the truth as she passed from the foot path sitting on the ground - that they were in the habit of sitting in the chairs or matting a late hour at night sometimes in the light in company with at some times with open doors sometimes with closed doors. That they lay in each other's beds, sometimes together on top of the bed, sometimes

with their feet raised or lying on the table and that in his opinion things had gone on quite too long for the good of the mission. He said that the people about in the Shetters and common Freetown or elsewhere report that all was not right between them. He further said he wished to have a conference with the other brethren and the Br. Kingsmill of Br. Thompson of his hand & future to do etc himself. He said it was specially that Alice had told Br. Lander to Br. King had. I told him I should like to speak with him alone before I could bring it up as a missionary matter. Time past away till I was called to the Chapel. Br. T. said time as I was going he hinted to me that he wanted me to call the Br. & come in that the Brethren were in the Chapel waiting. I go and asked if he had spoken to Br. B. He said no. I asked if Br. Burton had he said no. Then said I, I cannot go on the house to question him (Br. C.) with knowledge of our motive; I will go to him and have an interview with him. I then withdrew and seeing the Brethren I went home and talked with him. I told him how the brethren felt, that they wished to have an interview with him to tell him their feelings about the conduct of Mary had been felt to pertain. He said that he and Mary had been compelled to spend their evenings together as more so as sit in the sitting room with them, that they had not been in each other's rooms only when the sitting room was occupied that they could not be comfortable in it. And when they wished to read and the Hickings complained of noise, that they had not been up to their rooms night or night till nine then & o'clock. He stated that he had not spent evenings prayers but thought much me as a good excuse for their sitting together and the reasonable hours in the common sitting room. But I felt and said to the Br. that if there be that they had been improper, that it would not prove a separate with Mary as he had had if she had been very wicked. He then repeated the gist of his feelings

company saying that he had been received in Louisville that was far more
agreeable and above low, vulgar suspicions, that Mary had been accus-
tomed to the same, that he felt lonely, had always had sisters & even
sisters and he wanted one here. He had taken occasion to tell his feel-
ings to Mary and asked her to be a sister to him, telling her that he
was under engagements in America, his preferences were there,
and therefore was not at liberty to think of anything further. She consented
and that was all the relations he had thought of, he had been free as
a brother & she had been free as a good sister. The Dr. finally consented
to have an interview but complained of not being talked with
privately. I told him that I had not been as free as I might have
been in telling my feelings in regard to this intimacy.

Br. Thompson left Good Hope before he spoke to the Dr. & my
dear wife's sickness & death caused a short suspension of the
trials. On Tuesday the day after we laid in the grave Susans
lifeless form I was drawn into the palaver again. For my image
if you can my feelings I can never describe them. Before two days
past my heart was well nigh turned to stone. Bro. Jeff & Thompson had
a conversation with Dr. Cole in my presence but I cannot tell the half I did
feel. But I think the whole ground was passed over when Mr Thompson
arose and said that if he was in Dr. Cole's place he should either get
married or go to America as soon as he could and under the circumstances
as he should advise them both to do or be married. Mr Jeff
and the Dr. had a few words after this exchanged acknowledgments
and shook hands as friends again. The Brethren then left for Ky.

After they had been gone for some time I was called by Mr. Burton
to Sister Mary's room where was Mr. Burton the Dr. & Mary. The matter
came up again. Mary was grieved that the matter had been allowed to go
on so far and no one had said a word to her about it. Mr. Burton

said that he on the arrival of the new company was sick and could not and did not sit in the sitting room of evenings. that when he did get able to do so he noticed a sickish fondness manifested by Dr. Cole toward Sister Mary and was astonished to see her manifestly pleased with such attentions after the bitter enmity which had existed between them. From astonishment he became disgusted so that he could not feel pleasure or contentment in their social. He felt injured and grieved. Said he should have felt constrained to have dismissed them from his family were he in America even if either had been an own brother or Sister. He felt that they were associates and equally at liberty to enjoy and have a home at Good Hope as himself and wife. He therefore kept his room and allowing them to fondle each other as they chose. Besides he was shure that he soon should be removed from Good Hope to Perla where they would be by themselves. And his respect for Mary's feelings who he regarded as having been drawn, contrary to her inclinations at first. He said that she had been kind to him, and had laboured hard as any woman ought to yet he had though she had neglected to take a part of the work of the family which she ought not to have done. He did not complain of it but had thought it strange that she had manifested no interest in the family. Dr. Cole with other things, by way of explanations and denial of the intimacy complained of. Of that Br. Burton had been in Sister Mary's company more hours than he had, in such a connection and manner as to give Br. B. and my self to understand that he had been with Mary in all the ways complained of in his own case more hours than kindly. This was as a dagger to Br. Burton's feelings. It was said before his wife. He felt it to be intended to create hardness between them. Br. B. arose charged the Dr. with wilful falsehood, and refused explanations which the Dr. wished to make

explanation which the Dr wished to offer was as follows, that he intended by the remark no more than this, that Br. Burton & his Mary had been longer together at Good Hope than he & Mary had been together at any place, and as no one had thought any evil of it he could not think that evil could grow out of the friendship now existing between himself and Mary. Some unpleasant conversation passed between Sister Mary & Brother about the house work & which I will not take the time to relate. I felt that Mary had been wronged by the Missionaries, that she ought to have shared our confidence until we had labored with her individually and shown her that we regarded it wrong. I therefore wrote a request for her to be permitted to go to Bunsicaste and place the whole matter in a light as I thought would result in doing Sister Mary justice and giving her satisfaction and make it pleasant for her still to stay. I soon learned that Sister Burton could not labor at the same station with ease and efficiency. Neither could I go to Bunsicaste for the distance and Mary could not agree. I therefore proposed to Br. and Sr. Burton after they had concluded to Mary to go to Bonsa and take the charge of that station I would labor with them. They felt that this was too late, I had been too fast, they did not consent to Mary till after the meeting of the Missionaries to consider her request to withdraw from the Mission which took place on the evening of the day following the conversation in Mary's room. The time intermediate I felt most unhappily trying to walk harmless between the parties and hoped the difficulties settled. Br. Brother wife deeply sympathized with Mary felt she had been my hotel, my friend had as a sister, regretted that they had not had grace to have nipped these difficulties in the bud. But as things had come to such a pass they felt that both Mary & Br. Brother had better go to Bonsa. Mary not so much on their account as on their

They say that Mary has been a hard working woman, has done more than most women could have done, that she would be an excellent woman to be alone but believed that but for recent labor with her. Their intimacy was the strong reason for desiring them to be married or go home. Knowing as I suppose of their feelings I regarded Mary's as impossible. Rev. Jeff. Thompson came and we met as appointed on the report of that meeting. Much was said on all sides, all of it by way of concession to each other. But that matter of marriage was not removed nor an intimate tie that the intimacy should be a dark chapter. Both the Dr. and his Mary admitted to me that they had under the circumstances been imprudent but had reasons for it. One was that they had been seen twice in society where such friendly relations as they had sustained to each other had never allowed & would never excite a low or vulgar suspicion. The Dr. felt that there was no woman on the Mission of sufficient refinement and training to appreciate his Mary's society (the only exception being Lorna now dead) and he himself being the only one of the males who could by reason of nearness drop into intimacy than they otherwise would, had she been associated among her equals.

The meeting ended by allowing Sister A & Dr. Cole to return to America. I would have had the reasons stated in the resolution but others with fair claims to have nothing said which might be an injury to them or the cause. Sister Mary & the Dr. left, & then we passed the resolution false on that ground.

On Friday I was astonished by a report presented from Dr. Cole & Sister Aldrich regarding marriage. This at first then contained the chief of the reasons for desiring them to be married and asked them to go and make Rosen Falls. That they left they made for some profit.

I am tired of this subject and will dismiss it by giving my opinion on the matter. Mary and the Dr have both been wronged by us in neglecting to deal faithfully and in season with them. I have never felt enough of Christ's mind to sympathize with the other members of the mission in their feelings toward her. I have and do still feel to excuse much that they have seen - Mary has been abused and doubtless has abused others. She has been treated by Dr Cole as no human being should be treated by another under the circumstances. Dr Cole has said more about Mary to me than all the others have said to me about them both. Mary is regarded by all the missionaries as a Christian and a hard working missionary but they feel that they cannot labor with her. I feel that I could. As to Dr. Cole I have felt up to the last few days of his stay that I could work with him but his singular course - his, and devices to draw me into the palaver to say and do things by which he may throw the responsibility of his acts on me &c &c, have shaken my confidence and I would not now choose to have him as an associate. His conduct as a physician, as an associate, unfits him to labor in the capacity of a physician to our mission. I believe that others get far from them but I can labor with either of our company easier than with the Doctor.

I am sorry to be called upon to make these statements. A sense of duty compels me to speak - but I pray you see my position by you and this matter very injury - I should rather, if I dare do so, plead for Dr Cole. All I could say of this matter I have written but I cannot. What I have written I have written and done it at cost to the truth as my conscience dictates but the half has not been told - Excuse my haste & the imperfection of these sheets - yours unworthy

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Rev. J. S. Brooks

Oct 4th/55.

Private.

Dear Brooks.

Private

Confidential

Oct 17/65 Bro Tappan died last one —
See O Evangelist for particulars —
O! can't we have Laborers, at home? —

Lewis Tappan

48 Beekman St
New York
U.S.A.

Monday Thursday Oct 19/65
It looks as if rained, but thinks
it has not rained.

George Thompson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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I Law Mendi Oct 12/55.—

My dear Bro. Lewis. (did not your Parents give you that name, to be called by?) Yours of July 28/55 came yesterday. Accept of my heartfelt thanks, for your kindness, & faithfulness, in pointing out my failings. I love any one the better, who will pray more for them.

You speak of seeming, a apparent inconsistency in my language to you, & to Mr Whipple. I can still say, that "I hope that all our company may be filled with Spirit, & love one another, & live harmoniously & I will do what I can for it." But there are some who cannot get along in peace, with others, but I am conscious of not being that character. (See marginal note in your Wife's letter, for key)—

You refer very language about the Resolutions, or Rules, gotten up at Ell— I will only say, that I used strong language, plain, & unmistakable, because I felt that the case required it. & I expressed no stronger language, that every member of I Law Mendi State, felt, & expressed, among ourselves.— And I would say the same again, if compelled to by circumstances similar.— Such was the effect on some of our members, when they read the Rules, it almost made them sick at it, but I retained my mind, by boldly meeting, & opposing what we all, here, felt to be an unreasonable, uncalled for move, on the part of others, who knew not where they affirmed.—

I should have written my views in particular on the various Rules, but have not been able to get a copy of them, though I have requested them, & been promised them.— & the matter has now gone so long I guess it is not best to revive what is dead, & buried.— especially when it might be taken

If necessary, at any future time, & I get a copy of them, I am ready to state my objections in full.—

My tongue, dear Brother, was once bound, for 5 years, since that long rest, it has never wearied, & I mean that it shall never refuse to speak for the right, though it may be a single, lone, minority. (But may God help me to speak properly, & not prevent the good designed.)

If every Missionary feels & expresses himself thus, I do not see as harmony will ever exist. It is impossible for every one to have every thing in his own way" &c — In order to unanimity, there must be frankness - I expressed myself frankly - but did not, & never have, felt, said they must, or tried to have all walk my way, unless they saw its advantages, & did it cheerfully — With regard to other stations, I said, all along, they might make best regulations as they thought best & proper - but I could not submit to any such stereotyped Rules - so long - so flat, so wide, so tight, I know not, at any station, where I had charge. I cannot give up my free agency, & view of right & doing what I feel to be obligatory on me, for any majority - unless forcibly compelled — — —

I must have the privilege of speaking, thinking, & acting for myself - & am willing to accord the same to all others — I can, will, & have labored with those who think differently from myself - without jealousy - what they do, they must do in their way, & what I do, I must do in my way - but much of our difficulty has arisen from a disposition on the part of some, not to accord this privilege to others - but to think for them — Jeff. & I have very different ways of doing every thing we do - work, trade, book keeping, preaching, &c the same with Brooks, myself, & all others - yet, for all this, we can, & do labor in harmony, & love, because each is willing that the other work in his own harness, & implements &c

No Br. Lewis, I am not the man to make trouble in the Mission, unless I see things too palpably wrong - or they attempt to crush me, then, when they step too far on me, I shall cry out, this I continue to endure.

Once more - calling Br. Whipple, by his name, George - is it not "respectful"? Why Lewis, it is only those whom I respect above others that I can thus bring close to my heart, & feel, & speak to them, as if we were one family. Those whom we will to hold at arm's length, we M. - & Rev, & Hon, & Esq, & all this - again I never want the M. or "Rev" from any one - I do as I would be done by. Again, our Leader, Moses Hunter, taught us, by precept & example to do so.

So we will respect our own Brethren, Sisters & children, & Br. Jeff. & Br. Brooks - & Br. Lewis & Br. Hunter - & my Father, George, & Mother, Jane, & Sister Mary, & all the rest of our children, & we must show our respect, & love to them, & to all by the name, & title we give them, & the respect we are expected to show them.

Be assured I will labor with any one, who will labor with me, tho it may be unpleasant. I am willing to take a field which all the other brethren may be unwilling to cultivate, (which is the case with T. M. — such is his reputation for sickness — for jealousy, trouble among the numerous children, devil disposed workmen &c &c get along, denying my labors, amid multiplied trials &c &c I expect on the latter ground —)

I don't know why it is fully, but somehow no man seems to manage things here, with as little trouble, as myself, And if God so direct, I am willing to toil on here, so long as he seems to direct. I would love to be united to my family once more, I do volunteer, but will cheerfully, tho trying to the flesh, wait his best time, for a union, again. This long, painful separation, to my dear Wife, may prove her death — It wears on her body & spirit — I would start to day, to cheer, to bless, to relieve her, comfort, if my dear Father's house, were but open, giving permission — but so long as I am my own ledger up, & I am prevented from having my present field, for want of Laborers, how can, or dare I leave? —

O! that God will make my way plain before me — And may his grace be "sufficient" for my dear Wife — that she may be enabled to see a Father's hand — & submit with all the heart, kiss the rod, & rejoice, in all God's will.

I desire prayer for her —

We are almost crushed for want of Laborers. What we shall do, I know not. Mr Brooks is dead — Brooks is poorly — Jeffs is hanging between life & death, uncertain which way the scales will go — May the Lord send Laborers, after his own heart —

Much love, & many prayers, continually for you, & all the dear Brethren of the Committee. Your Bro Geo Thompson —

I have been, here now only waiting to see my place supplied, & my way opened to bring my Wife, & what little property, which the may have, to me, & to be together, in this vineyard before — "Father glorify thy name" in this Labor

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Good Hope, Oct 19th 1865

Dear Mr Whipple,

With a sad and almost bursting heart I seat myself to pen a few lines, to you, for advice and counsil, My dear husband is dead and gone my darling baby is also dead and I am left a childless Widow in this dark land, I am not alone for my Saviour is with me kind brothers and sisters sympathise with me, But O! The companion the loved ones of my heart are gone a place is vacant,

My darling baby was born the 18th of July and died the 16th of September with fever in just two weeks from that day Mrs Susan L. Brooks died and in less than two weeks more my own dear husband left us for his home above, I suppose Brother Thompson has written you all the particulars concerning his death, He died in the triumphs of faith he looked death calmly in the face he often talked of dying, While sick he said if my Father wants me I want to go, He felt that the Saviour was near he said death never looked so much like a friend as it did then, O! My bursting bleeding heart! But peace be still my soul it is the Lord, "Whome he loveth he Chasteneth, neither doth he willingly afflict and grieve his children," "The will of the Lord be done;" Another Saint is added to the Heavenly host, I have lost an affectionate devoted husband the brethren have lost an Excellent teacher and Minister and the world have lost a noble willing

self sacrificing Missionary, Mr Leffit made his
will before he left America, And now my dear Father (for
so I feel at liberty to call you) what shall I do? Are you all
willing that I should take my dear husbands things and
and come home in the Spring? Before our little one was
born he was very sick and thought perhaps he should not
live he then told me after the little one was born as soon
as time would admit to go to America and live with his
sister in Le Roy but my babe is dead. He told Mr Thompson
to let me do just as I wished about going now, There are but
few here I know but if it is the Lords will I should like
to take his things that he left here and dispose of them as
he wished to have them among his brothers and sisters,
My heart is so sad I fear I shall not
do as much good as at home or somewhere else, What would
you say to our own daughter in my place? I did think of going
right away with Capt Hatch in the Falmouth, but I took the
second thought and thought I would not be in [redacted]
The Lord bless and give us wisdom, [redacted]
Yours in Christian love and
affliction Louisa R Leffit

P. S. Please write the first opportunity
and let me know what you think,

Louisa R. Leffit
Oct 19/55
Mrs

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Inchuma S. Dr. W. A. Oct. 24. 1875

Dear Brother Whipple.

Yesterday we received the last news from the Mission that our beloved Brother Jeff was dead! My own heart sinks in me at the thought of that dear Brothers fall. But a few things are to be taken into consideration in forming an opinion of the true causes resulting in so grievous an affliction. I will give to you what I would not trust to another, partly because you have been so kind to me, partly because I am alone and have in my heart unbosom my thoughts to but chiefly because, as the one of our brethren you ought to know all the circumstances over which you may not have control. Br. Jeff was strong and well until he got on the coast, then he was troubled with a bad cough which was only a temporary difficulty. When he landed at Fernando he received letters from me requesting him to keep his thoughts his plans of future labor and other things to himself, stating at the same time that all was not right but I hoped that things would take a shape to meet the wishes of all if he was careful. I did not wish to tell him all hoping much that was offensive and unjust would be recalled or allowed to come to the frame of forgetfulness. When he got to Good Hope I told him some unpleasant things but as little as I will could, knowing his turn of mind I had to be careful and you know the warm heart of a brother. He kindly confided to me the same. He saw in the old new manifestations of some of my wonder that I had not told him all. These things were too much for a brother like him. He could not make the pleasant and reconciled return yesterday, broke his heart and died a wounded spirit. He was wounded. He was in spirit killed!

He kept very quiet on the difficulties existing between himself and his associates. He sought for reconciliation but could not find reciprocation in others. He consented to the changes proposed cheerfully. But his spirit never revived. His health sunk with his spirits so that it may truly be said that he has not seen a week day since his return. Though I seem to have come with those whom I tenderly love yet I must say that I confidently believe that the difficulties among us have killed Br. Tippet. He has died of a wounded spirit. I am not alone in this conviction. There is not one with whom I have conversed but are of opinion that our difficulties [redacted] been the chief cause of his ill health. The last trial at Good Hope though there he had hands with the Dr. for the past year this winter his return with professions of reconciliation was too much for him. He took sick & appeared to be under it. When I left he was very well. He went to Kanawha the next day and this is not a trial he had not looked for. James Anderson & Chester G. Tucker, & James Tucker light of highest promise in whom Br. Tippet had confided, had formed one of the most cruel and wicked plans I ever heard of by which him and others of our brethren, they as Chairmen prepared & wrote a joint letter to Br. J. Chapman and the Bethany Trustees, Talbott and included with him also the Ministers excepting Br. Thompson, there by annual meeting with cattalus and other papers of defense, sent to the towns around charging the Ministers as in the letter, yet in the year staying apart and consulted several of them that made their disappointment. Tippet read this letter and on coming with joy took his bed & never again rallied when it came to hand. Thus he fell like a Martyr. Surely in order he died praying as all dying "will have done him only help us to live and another" as cried the

By this providence I am again brought to a stand I know not what to do. My associate and confidential brother is now no more; Mr Tappan family must be broken up; I see no other way; I cannot have a woman in that house who has not a husband living with her. I have not leg to stand on as a certain to family privileges or relations and be instructed to live as I have done with a company of children with me. What a woman to act the part of a mother I cannot. It seems to me like throwing away money and health. May the [illegible] direct me and give me success while try to do the best I can alone. I go back with a heavy heart, but am willing to serve my master as best I may while He chooses to give me part of this work.

Brother there is no end to this war for all Africa becomes the garden of the Lord. Christians of America will be done with Africa when it shall be said all over this land that the Lord requires us to have put our hands to the work and vowed to God to be faithful. Because we die in this work shall we draw back. Suppose we act on these principles when would be our success! Yet we have as good a right to come home one at a time as any one called to this field has to turn aside into another theory for fear of death. I have we are lazy gods and that I may by many Christians in America for remaining here. I know that ministers of the Gospel have all kind of reasons from coming here, saying it is folly & presumption to venture life as African Missionaries have. Because we die shall we be called gods & murd? Because we die are we no longer entitled to the sympathy of the Church that has sent us here? Be honest, be just, contribute no means if you can give no men! Withhold all or come up to the work like men determined to conquer! If this be a sickly season and we die then need shall we be left to die with no one

Savage hands to give us a cup of water in sickness and dying hours. We are coming to this. Indeed I am in such a situation that I dare not well live or die, neither alone with the Lord to do a thing for me. This will not be new for since I have been in this country, with the exception of the time dear Sarah was with me, I have never had a country man of mine to do for me in sickness, but it is far from desirable to bend my heart sickness and drawback from such a situation but stern necessity compels me to drink this bitter cup.

Pray for me, dear Brother, that the Lord may do by me what seems to him as will best serve the interests of his cause. The Lord make me a pure, consecrated, humble and devoted

I am yours &c. Br. Porter & Br. Little became reconciled some months since & Br. B. was occasioned that

Your affectionate brother

James Beale

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Flat Lick

Jacktown Oct 24th 1855.

Rev. Dr. Whipple

My dear Brother

Br Flickinger and myself are preparing to return to the Mission. We have been falling quite much away from our God. Our friends tell me to tay longer, that would do me, But I feel I need that I must seek to do the interests of the Mission or my soul. Recruiting so nigh home and not be able to bear a trial I am not well pleased to have long. Now as I turn my thoughts homward my heart is shattered. My home is broken. My power to do good to take that care of our children I wish to is broken. The privilege of being a living example of religion in domestic life is torn from. I am cast down I cannot speak or raise my head to look at the future. I go bound to my station and have no doubt what will befall me. Trials awate me such as I have never met before. Forgive me. I should not mention these things they are strictly my own in which another cannot be interested. But I tell me to by your prayers for me, that I may get the comfort of prayer.

I have not prepared my Report of finances. I have been too poorly have had but little relish for such work.

My health is much improved. I still have a bad cough. I expect to be cured this by the hard winter. Think it some doubtful if I shall live through the winter. But I may be much better. I expect, hope to be able to do much hard labor by the blessing of the Lord. If my health should suffer severely and life should be continued I shall regard it my duty to visit America in the spring by your permission however. If not I shall think it best for me to get on the sea side for my asthma. Since I have been from

Mr Tappan I have not had a single symptom of Asthma that caused me any inconvenience. I love Mr Tappan indeed the whole Brownfield better than any other portion of our work, but if I cannot be able to labor on account of this affection of the lungs. I must seek a place where I can.

Dear Brother let me beg you and through you the Ed. Com. to send not a linguist, give the Admin as a special appointment. We have by wrong, our hands are tied, we cannot do as we wish. Every day you delay to do this your missions must suffer. Our missionaries have not in time past given heed to the important part of our work, we have been alone in this, and we are able to do for this reason we cannot do as we would.

I send a trunk containing sacred things which I wish to be sent to Rev. William Manning Wellsville Allegany Co. N.Y. Please write to him and let him direct you how to send it. I have purchased in Erie $[illegible] worth of curiosities & have sent a few cents clothes and other small things to the amount of $[illegible] dollars which in my opinion have been charged to my sty, which I hope you will allow me to send to my friends.

I wish you would send me a cloak and some paper which Br. Cole will select for me by your permission.

Your letters of Aug 2nd have been received, as to the Rev station I think it is rather a wild idea but we know God has his way and we have ours. God has some reason some wise purpose in wisdom in inflaming the Amer to give the B to Va & let us watch his leadings. With affectionate regards

I am dear Brother

Your affectionate Brother

John Dwight

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Mendi Mission West Africa Oct. 26 1855

C. and L. H. C. Acton Mass.

Beloved Brothers knowing your lively interest in the welfare of down trodden, bleeding Africa, I am assured you will be pleased with a few words directly from her shores, and will, amid my multiplied labors and cares, state to you briefly, what we are doing. If you will look on a Map of Africa, north of Liberia, about 7½ degrees N. lat. you will see Sherbro Island, It appears small, but is 30 or 40 miles long. Near the southern point of that Isl. on the eastern side, is our new Station, at a place called Good Hope. We have a good house and chapel there, and a school, but cannot sustain preaching, till some Minister comes on, Our Bro. Burton who is there, did preach for a time, but his health failed, and he had to abandon the idea, and attend to the business of the Mission, and School, building &c fully enough for one man 30 miles East of that, up the River (not on common maps, but on marine charts) is this Station. Kaw Mendi, the place where Bro. Raymond began, where I succeeded him, and where 6 beloved Missionaries, and 2 children are buried. Our school here is large, about 100 children, nearly all fed and clothed, by the Mission. Many of them profess to love God, and promise fair for much usefulness. They are making good progress in study, and are our great hope for the future spread of the Gospel through this country. Our church here numbers 60, and the number is increasing constantly. We work a large farm of 100 acres. all with hoes which helps much to feed our large family, and furnishes work for boys and people. 35 miles East of this, still Interior is another Station at Big Boom Falls, one of the most important places in Africa. That station is in the hills & will probably be a healthy place. Bro. J. S. Brooks is there alone — has a church, and a flourishing

Schools. one of the schools is taught by one of our boys, taught from A. B. C. &
Now you see what we are doing. How are we doing it? At each of
our Stations, we have but one male Missionary (the Dr. is occupied
in going from one to another, as he is called for) where there ought to
be, at least 3. I have been doing the work of 3 men, for the last 6 months
I have been wonderfully strengthened, but my strength fails under it. Bro.
Brooks needs 12 good Laborers to fully possess, and work the field. His
labors are also excessive & no wonder if he should fall and die. At Good
Hope there should be 3 men, to do the work demanded. Thus we have
been, and are cramped & crushed almost to death, for want of the
necessary help. May the Lord speedily send it. What do we wish to do?
We would at once open 3 or 4 more new Stations, in very important
places, where they are calling & waiting for us, if we had the Men & Means
These places should be occupied for many reasons — to save the souls
of the people immediately around — to spread the Light far about — to
break up, & shut out the Slave Trade — to bring Wars to an end — & to raise
beacons, and light houses, which may be seen by, & affect, all the surround
ing country. — But we also need these hill Stations, for the welfare
of our low land Stations, to serve as acclimating & recruiting
places for new comers & the sickly. But again if they are not occupied
by the Gospel, they will be by evil influences, which will shut us out,
& make our entrance an hundred fold more difficult, Now our way
is open, & we could go forward at once, but for the hold back
which we feel from the Church at home. The country is now open,
to the Kong Mts. — to the Niger — God has gone before us, & the voice
of his providence is Go forward. We desire & long to do so — we are agonized
because we cannot —. If Christians, at home, will but unite our
hands, & provide the needed Men & Means, we will blow the Gospel
trump along every River — from every hill top & mountain,

throughout the length & breadth of this vast Continent of 200,000,000. Souls. Now is the time — Delay is ruinous. God is working. Let all his people work with him, & victory is sure, and will be complete. — Friends of God & Humanity, help. Africa cries help. Much love to all friends

Yours Affectionately Geo. Thompson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7149
FISK UNIV.

Hartford 26 Oct 1855

Received from Mr T. G. Cole, for self and wife a Bill of Exa on the Treasurer of the Mendi Mission New York for One hundred and forty dollars for passage coming in the Brig Waldwatte to New York

26 October 1855

Gibbs

Receipt for Passage money
of from Freetown to Mengalo.

~~for Passage in the~~
~~from Freetown~~
~~Falmouth to Mengalo~~

Brig Falmouth.
paid by J G Cole
by Bill of Exchange
on the house of Mendelsohn

Rev. J. S. Brooks.

Good Hope. Oct. 31st 1865

Oct 31st 1855

A. M. E. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-1750
FISK UNIV.

Dear Brother,

As Bro Burton is going for Freetown I hasten to pen a short note to you. My health is quite good though I am suffering with a cough having not less than thirty. I have just returned from Kaw Mendi where all quite well but Mr. Thompson who was afflicted more in his ~~body~~ mind than ~~mind~~ body. chiefly owing to the unexpected marriage of Mr. Flickinger and Susan Woods, which took place during his absence. He feels it bitterly - is quite discouraged. Had a talk with James A. Anderson & William B. Tucker about the recent jealousy. James was the leading one in the matter of which I told you. In the charges of adultery on the Missionaries James says that he and his associates had no other motive or experience than to take up Mr. Gray & Mr. Cole as guilty of such things, and then gave his reasons for charging them. They referred to Mr. Brown and Flickinger. Anderson was also one of the most

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I am now decided to stay as long as I am needed here and do what I can. Let you may take action on my request to come home whenever I consider my best. I wish you to allow me to act my own judgment in coming home next March or if I should be able to take a trip to Liberia or America or Cape Mesurado for a month this season. If the Mission instead of coming to America please allow me to do so. I shall not do either unless with my associates think it necessary and then only by your permission.

Our Mission is in a trying situation. I have not time or a heart to tell you all I feel or believe on this subject. May God but be assured we are tried. I am resolved to stick by the Ship till she is stranded and sinks or till she is manned and sail under sail in a free sea. I pray for me that I change not in this my purpose. My heart is now all broken up. It does seem at times as if I should weep myself into the grave. While my life I make my bed to swim with tears a night above in the great darkness and give myself to bitterness I cannot do as I would. I would save my strength for labor, but my heart is so weak, my sorrow is so great for me.

Dear Sir I fear I shall be obliged to labor on the Coast. My health is thought at Kaw Mendi in a few hours after landing. Allow me, therefore, if necessary to labour at either of the stations where in the judgment of the Mission I can be most free from this troublesome disease.

Remember me kindly to all the dear friends in the Office & of the Committee and your Affectionate Missionary.

John T. Works

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. _____
FISK UNIV.

complete and accomplished confessions I have ever met in this country. He seems very penitent & I hope he will yet become a good man. I believe he should be suspended for a year or more in this Dist & I disagree with the other treatment he has received quite freely acquiesce, under existing circumstances. Could Anderson be separated from the mission for a year or more, he would be advantageously provided he could be placed in good society. This can not be here, so the only way to save him is to go and try again. Teacher & his Cousin have not been heard from since they left.

These trials blasted hopes yield fruits as such as we find on heathen grounds. O what wisdom, grace, and patience we need. It seems almost as if we were labouring for naught, but we will not complain or distrust. God is as the hues is all and in all. And will do all thing well. I am & will be subject to him in darkness as well as light in prosperity and adversity alike. Pray for me,

John Ezzielio
& Thetowa, Mich.
Oct 31/55

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. A-7151
FISK UNIV.

St. George's Cathedral.

John Ezzidio, General Merchant,
378, George's St. City of Freetown.
Sierra Leone. 31st October 1853

D. T. B. Cole
My Dear Bro

After closing my letter of yesterday's date I am favoured with the name of the book mentioned in the letter it is "Irving Washington's Works" on Mahomet and his — + successors in 2 Volumes which books I must beg you to send me by the

the earliest opportunity.
I will pay the postage.

Remain
Yours Obt Servant
John Ericsson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. EI-7/52
FISK UNIV.

Mendi Mission, Good Hope Station, Nov 1/55

Dear Bro Whipple,

It again devolves upon me, to communicate "heavy tidings", to the Churches, & friends, & to the Committee — our dearly beloved Sister Brooks has been called "up higher" to her rest, reward, & to the more exalted service of the glorified. She died yesterday (Sabbath), about 1 o'clock P.M. — While at McTappan, a little more than 2 months, she had been troubled with occasional "chills", & did not allow herself to leave the house much — but attended to the duties within, till the 26th of Sept, when Bro B. with his wife, came down to this place, in his boat, with a view of making arrangements, if possible, to seek a passage to America, (mainly on account of his own health, which is very poor, being troubled with Asthma, & cough, &c) — The day after his arrival, mrs B had a hard chill — (at the same time, menstruating) & another, the next day. On Saturday morn, she seemed quite smart, & cheerful, & came out to the breakfast table, & enjoyed her meal, very much — but was soon taken with another hard chill, of the congestive type, & in the night severe "flooding" set in, which was checked, but again returned, accompanied with much distress. She lingered, amid much suffering, till Sabbath P.M. & died, as stated above. It was thought she was conscious to the last, but was so reduced, she spoke not, for some time previous.

Bro. Brooks, of course, feels deeply, & sorely smitten, but can say "It is the Lord". "It is all right". What he will do, we cannot yet state. He will write, more fully, as soon as he is able. As a Mission, we feel sorely afflicted, but would realise that

the cause is God's, & He, in wisdom, & in the best way, will carry it forward. May we be kept from murmuring. Br B. wishes you to acquaint his friends, & her's, of his state & say to them, he will write, full particulars, as soon as he is able.

It is vain for us to attempt to give reasons, or causes, for her death. We all know two things. (1) That Br Brooks, loved tenderly, & did every thing, he could, for the departed – & that so far as medical advice, & assistance, could do her any good, she had it – But we know, (2) That all the love, all the care, prudence, wisdom, & medicine, proved ineffectual, to continue her, in this lower vineyard, when the Master sent the message "Child come home". –

The water in the Rivers has not been so high, before for 25 years. There has been a frightful inundation of all low places, & of many places, thought to be above all high water ~~water~~ mark –

What effect this may have had, we cannot certainly know. – We expect, it will have the effect, to cause much sickness as the water recedes, in months to come; but must trust in the Lord, & go forward, doing what we can, for this degraded people. –

I shall write more fully, at Mau Mendi –

Funeral, this P.M. at 2. o'clock – Yours Br. Geo Thompson

Rev. Geo. Thompson
Nov 1. 1855.
Death of Mrs Brooks

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7153
FISK UNIV.

Haw Mendi Nov 8/57

Dear Bro Whipple. I feel prepared to write a word, doubtless, before this reaches you, you will have heard of the death of Mrs Brooks, & Br Tefft — accounts of which, I sent, to the Missionary, & Evangelist ——

These, sudden, & unexpected deaths, have broken up our plans, & we are at our wits' end, to know what to do. May the Lord give wisdom, & grace, according to our day. —

But all these afflictions did not discourage me, like what has since occurred. My soul is cast down within me. You well know how much we have suffered here, at this Station, for want of efficient Teachers. Our whole school has been kept back — & our advanced boys, have been kept back, for want of some to teach them.

Had we had, suitable Teachers here, in years past, we might now have a large class of Teachers of our own Teaching — but "it is of the Lord" — & I will say Amen —

When Susan Worsley came, I felt it to have her at Mt Ab, because she was the only one, who could teach here, in our advanced classes, to advantage. Jane Winters could not — Mrs Tefft could not, Miss More cannot. I cannot. Numbers of the boys are now beyond me, in English studies. Susan W. was well qualified — & took to it with a right good heart — was at once deeply interested in all our work — (a very great thing), & harmonized with me, in my plans, in almost every thing — There has been no one here who has pleased me so much as she has — The boys, & girls, revived right ahead, under her instruction — Her government is excellent — good any where — & She has none. Her all appearance commended well, & ready to go on & work efficiently — God blessed my care of her, against the Doctor's remonstrances. & She has become quite smart —

But just as we thought we were ready now to go steadily forward, & just our advanced scholars - our hopes are again all darked - by Br Flickinger's coming here on Oct 30, & teasing Susan, till she consented to be his wife - & he must be married while she was in the notion of it - & was married that same P.M.!!!! - I hardly ever had any thing give me such a shock, & fill my soul with discouragement.

Of course Susan has a right to marry when & whom she pleases - I could not oppose strenuously, though it was in my power to have stopped the whole thing, by simply saying, up & down NO! NO!! - When she came to ask my counsel, I consented - But while I freely stated to her, my objections to such a course, I said "You must do what you think best." & that P.M. I was called on to marry them - before she had had time to think well what she was doing -

But I still expected she would remain here sometime to work, while he got some place to settle - but now even that hope is torn away, by both of them saying they think it necessary that she go to Grand Rapids!!! - I cant give them a pleasant answer - to see poor tasted, persecuted, maligned Kaw Mudi thus left, again. O! Lord help us - help can only come from Thee.

Of course it is not for me to say the wife shall not go with the husband - but I did tell them they could not have my consent, for her to leave here now.

And now dear Br Whipple, I feel as if I wanted you to call me home at once, as soon as you get this. If we cant have teachers here - it is no use - I dont want to stay, if I can't see the school going forward - it cant go forward, without teachers - I feel deeply - if wrong, the Lord forgive.

Aunt It too bad - when so many have died here, & we have been so much troubled to get suitable teachers, & have retained others, who were otherwise qualified to labor here, have imbibed a wicked prejudice against R. M., which forbade their laboring here - But when we have got one, so well adapted in every respect - education, disposition, health, & to labor just here - & whose whole heart was in the work - to have her thus snatched away?!!! I can't think of it calmly - It does seem too bad - too discouraging. -

There have been causes to bring about, or at least hasten this result - which I don't like to mention - but must, to you one, in confidence, as one to whom I can open my heart.

I don't believe Susan Worley would ever have consented to have Dr R. for a husband, but for some circumstances - for she has repeatedly - as much as said so - in days past.

Our dear sister Harriet More, has driven her to this, by her uncouth, outlandish way, & remarks to Susan - till Susan felt she was so uncomfortably situated here, she needed, & must have a friend - a place where she could be in peace - Such ideas she has frankly expressed to me, again, & again, & on the day of the marriage, she, as much as said the same -

Miss More intended no such thing - & was unconscious of making remarks, which were so taken - Such is her natural way - so rough - so unfeeling - so without judgment often times - & believe me - dear Br. There is not another member of the mission (unless I except Louisa - I can't say about her) who is willing to be at a station with Miss More, but myself - & I have long hesitated with it, because I could not help it - because they would not consent, in any terms, to have her at Mt Tabor, a G. & A. - And yet she is wholly unconscious of her disagreeable ways!!!!

I have talked with Br. Wolfe, & Brazeal with her - & they do see it, but it don't alter the natural disposition. I can bear it - but I fear it will be a trial to Susan. I am distressed - for the Mission - not that

I have often felt, & said to Bro Tefft, I think, I would rather be here alone, without any woman, than with Miss More. And yet I can bear, & put up, with it – though I see often times a manner towards the dear girls, which I feel is injurious.

I shall bring no specific charges – she is wholly unconscious of appearing as she does – sincere, kind, & upright – & is deeply interested in this station – & her whole soul seems to be here enlisted – desires to see the children advance, love God, & be useful – & I will yet hope she will be useful – & I have said these things to give you an understanding how Susan came to leave our Mission – an occurrence so lamentable. –

Now I don't ask you to call any lady here, but myself. While I stay, I will do the best I can – I will preach & pray – but the school – now so finely improving – ! what will become of it? –

I feel ashamed, & grieved to have boys here we can't teach. Is it not a shame – a burning shame to us. –

Make haste, call me home, & permit one to bring some 3 or 4 of our large boys, to be more thoroughly educated.

My health is good – Miss More is well – Brooks is feeble – Burton was sick last week – Mrs Green was very sick the last I heard – Lepe she is better. –

What shall I do? Must I, my dear, suffering wife, (who has suffered so much for me) be thus separated for years to come? Does our Father require it? – If she cannot come, ought I not to go to her, & seek another field? But how can I go, if help does not come? May the Lord send labourers speedily. Your Bro Geo Thompson. –

The Dido's & middle boys finely – & the ladies enjoy themselves – Tom Plenty

(Rev) G. Thompson
New Orleans
Nov 5/55

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

Fruitown Nov 14th 1855.

Lewis Tappan Esqr

Dear Sir.

I have this day drawn two sets of bills of Exchange on you as treasurer of the A. M. A. One in favor of Charles Heddle Esqr for $254.00 at thirty days sight, (to pay for some Bricks and Lumber that I have purchased from him, for the use of the Mission,) the other in favor of John Ezzidio Esqr for fifty pounds sterling, at thirty days sight.

My health is very poor, I suffer very much from fever, and extreme debility, Have not been able to go out of the house to attend to any business for four days, but I expect to start back to the Mission tomorrow, and hope to be better soon,

Your affectionate brother in Christ

S. W. Burton

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO FI-7154
FISK UNIV.

✓ D. H. Burton
Apr 26
Recd 16 55
advice of draft
1. Favor Co Credit $254
2. Pro Consulado £250
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Lewis Cuffman Corp

D. W. Burton
Africa
Nov. 16/55
Rec'd Jan 11/56

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7153
FISK UNIV.

20 Broad St Hill
London Novr. 12/55

Lewis Tappan Esqr

Sir

enclosed is a Bill for £100 — drawn upon you by J. H. Cole for which please remit us your draft for same amount payable in London

We Remain
Sir
Yours Respectfully
Thos Morgan & Son

Thos. Morgan & Son
London, Nov. 12/56
enclosing Br. Co's bill
of Exch 13th £100

Recd Dec 3d

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Brown Brothers
bill
£100.

To Mother
1. Rec'd yr letter
2. Will write the 30th
3. Lent yr £100, at the
acceptance

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89 pack

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48/100
letter to Eng

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F-7156
FISK UNIV.

Sierra Leone Harbor Nov. 20th 1858

Rev. George Whipple
Cor. Sec. A.M.A.

Dear Brother—

You will see by my date that we have not yet landed. We cast anchor about nine o'clock this morning and I hasten to inform you of our whereabouts. I have just learned that the mail leaves for England on the 22d, hence I will not have time to write as much as I would like to.

You will learn before the arrival of this letter the sad news of the death of Bro. Tefft, the Pilot has just informed me of the fact, but can give me no particulars. I suppose however that they have written from the Mission before this mail. The Pilot also says that he learned a few days since that the rest of the Missionaries were well. Our own company are all well at present and though saddened by the above news, yet not disheartened, as we were not much surprised at it, knowing that he had been ill so long.

I am of course unprepared at present to give you any other items of news from the mission and will defer that part of my letter until I arrive ashore which may or may not be to day.

Our Voyage— I wish I could stop just here and say nothing about it but for the benefit of those who may come after us I must make some remarks

Bro. Tefft died about four weeks ago.

about it. We have now been out 53 days, and have had a severe time of it. We came near being run aground the night after we left New York through the carelessness of a drunken pilot. Our captain gave him Brandy enough to so sufify him that he had to be put to bed and the vessel anchored until day light, then we got out of danger. We had several Storms, one on the 1st sabbath after we left New York and a very severe one on the 8th sabbath; head winds, and calms, with a Captain unfit for so responsible a position, have been the cause of our long voyage. But that is not the most disagreeable part of our trip; we lived in constant anxiety and distress on account of the abusive treatment we had to endure from him. When we were so sick as to be unable to be at the table, he has ordered the servants not to grant us such simple and reasonable request about our food, as we needed, saying we might take what we could get or go with out. Several times we got no water but such as we could get privately even drinking water was kept out of the cabin and the pump taken out of the casks to prevent us getting any, this was done toward my wife and myself, whilst the rest of the crew had plenty, and we have now about 6 large Hogsheads of good water. He abused us at such a rate that his wife and the mate interfered, and eased our burden. He could give no reason for his conduct when asked by the mate, only that he did not like us. The rest may have something to say on the subject, and I will dismiss this disagreeable task by

a few suggestions - However I must do him the justice to say that for the last few weeks we have been better situated and he has made an effort to redeem himself. He learned that I intended to inform the owner of the vessel of his conduct. As I have not yet done any thing to merit his ill will, I do not think I will say any thing about the affair in Freetown.

I would suggest that - Missionaries should not be sent out in those vessels, wherein the captain has no interest in the cargo or vessel, and where he is only a hireling to ~~carry~~ superintend the voyage.

Some plan should be pursued on the embarkation of missionaries to impress upon the minds of the whole crew that the passengers are not beasts of burden nor mere travelers on business. The Missionaries may not be able to make a favorable impression on the crew & Officers, should they be like unavailable for weeks to sit up much less mingle with those whom it is their desire to benefit and upon whom they are so dependant. A hardy sailor is apt to despise a sickly, feeble passenger who may appear by his reserve to be unsociable. Though I must say that not one on the vessel but the Captain, who did not deeply sympathize with us.

Our Voyage though so disagreeable, has not been without its good results, for we are better prepared for the trials that await us, and I do not mention these things in a complaining spirit; for the Lord has been more precious in the furnace than on the mount.

We were determined not to let Satan triumph over us, and we prayed the Lord to give us a witness that he would be with us and aid us, nor did we pray in vain. He did grant us the kid to rejoice over, and we bless his name for the conversion of the Mate. It was the Lords work, for we had not strongly urged upon him the necessity of salvation, but had prayed earnestly and faithfully for him, and he voluntarily came to ask our advice and prayers. I pointed him to Christ as an immediate Savior; he looked and lived, and now professes to enjoy the evidence of sins forgiven, and to rejoice in so great a salvation. We commit him into the Hands of the Lord trusting we shall meet him on Mount Zion.

You will see that my hand is tremulous. This is the second letter I have written in the last seven weeks I was unable to write. I could not concentrate my mind on any subject without being sick at the stomach though I have read considerably, I had others to think for me when reading, but when writing had to think myself. We were not permitted to have worship among the crew and only occasionally to meet around our family altar.

I will write again before the mail leaves. From appearances we will not get in today as we have a dead calm and are too far off to be taken in by the tide.

Your Brother in Christ

David J. Lee

P. S. We have Weighed Anchor and are standing in toward Freetown.

A. M. E. ARCHIVES NO. ____ ASC. UNIV.

Nov. 21st 1855

I have only time to add, this morning, that, we are safe in port, and as the mail closes in an hour, I must be brief. Mr & Mrs Burton left here for Sherbro on Saturday last, sorry I did not get here in time.

Mr. Ezzidis call on me this morning in the vessel; he is well and informs me that the above named friends were in tolerable health. Also that Mrs Brooks is dead, she died a few days before Mr. Left. This is sad news, but we are glad that we are on hand to fill their places, though perhaps not so capable.

Dr Cole is now on his way home to New York. We beseech the Brethern to send on a further supply, that we die not with excessive labors.

Mr. Shoey is very much beloved here, and several have already asked me to write to him to return.

Miss Mc Intosh will write some for this letter. Our little Charley is well and growing fast, he has every appearance of enduring this climate. I would say to missionaries, bring your children that they may fill your places when you are removed, should God spare you to raise them.

Mrs. Lee is not so well, from loss of sleep, and will not be able to write at present.

I will not have time to write to any of the other Brethren at the rooms.

Our love to all of the Friends.

And beleive me

Yours in Christ

David J. Lee

I have just learned that Mr. Flickinger and Miss Wooley have been married quite lately. Another report that it was Mr. Brooks instead of Mr. Flickinger, a very improbable tale. and not to be credited.

D. J. L.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7157
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D. J. Lee, M.D.,
Sierra Leone
Nov 21. 1855.
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Bourgeois

"For the American Missionary"

Nov 20/55.

Rev. Dr. Anderson

A peep at Kaw Mendi.

As most of the friends of Africa will never visit this place & for themselves see our operations, I have thought it might be interesting to them, to give them a bird's eye view of what we are doing, from day to day, so far as writing can do it.

Let them imagine themselves coming up the River (40 rods wide at this place), & landing on a ~~beautiful~~ Pier, extending into the River, so that canoes &c, can land, at low water. Immediately in front of them stand the Mission House, 18 Rods from the River, on a gentle ~~beautiful~~ ascent, making it about 15 ft above the water. It is 2 stories. We inhabit the upper one. The lower is for Stores.

At the wharf, on the left, is the large Boat house - on the right the Saw Pit, where are 4 men sawing boards, with a large number of logs lying about. Advance a little, on the left is a house of 2 rooms, for boys, & next a Rice, & oil Store - on the right is ~~[illegible]~~ our Chapel, standing a little back from the Road - ~~all~~ covered with thatch - & mud walls.

Now you come to the Road, running East & West - turn to the right - on the left is a house for Workmen, then the large new boys' house, in shape of a hollow square - plastered within & without, & making rather a beautiful appearance. We call it Kawsland Institute. On the right, are 4 houses, occupied by Sundry persons.

Now turn round, & go to the East, & you see the Town - a cluster of variously shaped African houses, arranged in regular country style, without any order, except that each family build in cluster, having a yard within, or in front. In this Town, there are some 60 or 70 houses, & new ones building.

You will see people of all grades, ages from infancy to 100 years. Walk round, go into their humble mud huts - they will all be glad to see you, & all, old & young, must shake you hand.

During the day, you will find but few people in Town - as they are in their farms, or at work. ~~for the Mission~~ Elsewhere

You will see many covered with sores, from head to foot - some being eaten up, little by little, by Leprosy - a hand already gone, toes, & fingers falling off. Oh But they have souls, & we want to save them

On Whipple read & forward the letter to Mary Lockwood. Furthermore publish, & give it to Mr Banks to put for the cause - to save my sisters

Yours Mingo over for the Missionary

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Now come into the Mission Yard (containing about 1 acre) & see our numerous fine fruit trees — the luscious Mango, producing 2 full crops a year, besides scattering bunches between — the cooling Sour sop, & the sweet sop — the excellent Guava, the Paupaw, Plantain, Banana, & Lemon, &c — (besides the orange, lime, cocoa nut, Bread nut &c not yet bearing.) In front of the Chapel is a Bread fruit, which has already given us two crops. All these are of our own planting. Around the fence are great quantities of Pine apples on which we may feast, till we cloy. —

Back of the Mission Yard, lies the ~~large~~ Mission farm all cultivated with the hoe, furnishing an abundance of Cassada ~~for~~ ~~[illegible]~~, coco, sweet potatoes &c —

But we have seen enough of the outside — now for the working of our operations. — ~~Well~~ About 5½ o'clock in the morning the large bell rings, for all to rise, wash, & get ready for duty. In a few minutes the girls ~~[illegible]~~ go to the River to bathe. At 6 o'clock, the bell rings again, for the boys to wash, & for the Workmen to commence work. Soon they are in hand, ~~for 10 to 3 o'clock, according to what [illegible]~~, & I ~~[illegible]~~ give them their directions, when they go to their various labors. ~~under the superintendence of a head man, to whom I give a [illegible], & see that they are executed.~~ —

At 6½ o'clock, the small bell rings, & the school comes together for morning prayers (now conducted by one of the large boys,), after which study & recitations are the order, till 10 o'clock. The school is taught by Miss Mord, & the large boys, who have learned A B C. (But we exceedingly need a good practical, advanced Teacher. Who will come?)

I go in from 9½ to 10, ~~[illegible] a class in Theology, after [illegible] the evening meetings.~~ From 10 to 11, intermission, when children & Workmen breakfast. The large bell is rung at 10 for all to stop work, & at 11, to go to work, & school again. School continues till 2 o'clock, when the boys go to their respective work, & the girls to sewing, till 4, & after. On Wednesdays the Boys' & girls' classes, for religious improvement, meet, immediately after school — 4 classes, & some 40 or more children. On Thursday P.M. a female prayer & sewing meeting, in the Chapel. On Saturday, P.M. singing, from 11 to 12 o'clock in the Chapel.

On Sabbath morning: ~~I am found in my Room, preparing a sermon, while~~ the children are studying their S.S. lessons. At 9½ the 1st bell rings, as a warning to all to get ready for meeting. At 10½ it rings again, & children & people, in various garbs, are seen flocking to the house of God.—

I preach, the Interpreter, to as attentive an audience as can be found anywhere, varying from 150. to 200 persons. The old Interpreter, is very often so affected by the truth, that he stokes, weeps, & sometimes "breaks down"; can proceed no further, & I have to call up some boy, to finish. After sermon, the old man generally leads in prayer, in Mendi, with many tears, & a heart overflowing with love to sinners.

"Strangers" who hear the Gospel for the first time, are present every Sabbath.

At 1 P.M. our S.S. meets, consisting of 12 classes, 9 of which are taught by our older boys & girls. After the lessons, I catechise the whole school, on the lesson, make remarks &c—all occupying from 1, to 1½ hours. Then after school, many come to recite from 10 to 50 verses each, which they have learned in the Testament, in addition to the regular lesson, & which cannot be heard in school, for want of time. In this way, some have recited all the Gospels, & part of Acts!

At 3 P.M. I generally preach in the Town, in open air, where are some old people, who cannot get to the Chapel. If I cannot go, the sisters meet, & have a prayer meeting.

At 5, I have preached much at a village near by.

In the evening I preach again, & we have some precious showers of divine grace, at which times sinners are converted, & Christians quickened, & strengthened in the divine life.

On the last 2 sabbath nights, rich blessings have descended, & the good work is going on. Give God the praise.—

The 1st Monday eve. in each month, is Mon. Con, when from $7. to $9. are contributed, with willing hearts, "to help the Mission".

On other Monday nights, I meet Enquirers in the Mission house, while the children have a prayer meeting, & the Interpreter & others conduct a meeting in the Town.

Tuesday eve, meeting in the Chapel, & in the Town. Ladies Class, after meeting. Wednesday eve general prayer meeting, & one in Town. Thursday eve, Lecture. Friday eve, meeting in Chapel & Town. Saturday eve, meeting in chapel & men's class, after meeting. & S.S. teachers meeting.

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Thus. It is seen how our evenings are occupied. After the meetings, are family prayers, ~~at which the girls & many boys attend~~. Our manner is for each one to repeat a verse or more of Scripture, which they have learned, (& their selections are very interesting, & instructive) & repeat very well indeed. Then we all sing, & join in prayer. ~~Then~~ Then I hear a recitation in Theology. ——

During the day, we are variously occupied in the school, about the house, waiting on visitors, buying Rice, oil, fish, &c, (brought by natives) for our large family — overseeing, & directing workmen, paying them, keeping the missionary accounts, giving out clothing to children — writing ~~[illegible]~~ letters, &c &c — besides judging many little, & great palavers, (for the Missionary here has to act as a Judge among all who are gathered about him. They all call him Father, & his word ends their palavers.) & the many ~~things & troubles~~, which cannot be described, but which try, & take up the Missionary's time.

About half past 5 P.M. when we can get away, we sometimes walk out, or ride, in the cool of the day, which, when it can be done, is very refreshing to the weary spirit.

But I will not add — From the brief glance at us, do you think we are idle? Is it any wonder that members die? Is it not wonderful that so many live? The continual press, & tax on the vital energies of the Missionary here, cannot be described on paper — It must be felt to be understood. —

We are now straining every power of body & soul, to keep things in motion, till help arrives. We cannot endure this pressure long. Flesh must sink.

Friends, we are dying for want of help. We are crushed to death. By death, & otherwise we are chastened.

"Why should the work cease? Is it necessary? But it must indeed help comes soon. Who will come? What will all do? The Lord send labourers. Yours &c Geo. Thompson

Mon 22 — Old Daddy Largo has just died at Dr. Mc's. I expect to write an account of his death & burial. I am taking it upon me to act as Missionary & Grave Digger — to assist Brother Bunting & Brother Davis. Pressing work.

Sub. Com. on Africa

Brooks letter of Nov 24, 1855. says. "I have been thinking for some time past that a change to Fretown would be better than a visit to America . . . If in a year, or the next spring, I shd feel it duty to seek a change would the Com. allow me to stay in Fretown, or itinerate thro the colony for during the rains, or a year, if necessary, if I can find later than to pay my board."

He then speaks of the hindrance to his labor & suffering, arising from his limbs, and asks if it his duty to stay there?

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Rev Whipple,

Dear Brother,

We have just escaped forth from what we have deemed a living grave or at least what I have thought perhaps might be one. It was not the oceanic storms, although they were severe in one or two instances, but it was the storms in the limited sphere of our own little barque. The Dr has alluded to the treatment towards them. It is even so. The Mate himself told me that, the Captain had threatened to shut them up in their room. But God raised us up a friend in the person of the Mate. [illegible] defended us. Many a night has been passed al-

most shameless. he us. But through the triumphing grace of God we have been sustained and are now permitted to rejoice on Africa's shores. We mention these facts not to complain of our fare though we did surely feel it at first, but for the benefit of those of our countrymen who may enlist themselves in the labor of redeeming Africa. For their sakes I beg of you as an Association not send forth any more missionaries in small companies like ours unless the Commander-in-chief is known to be at least not a villain. We ask you for the sake of Christ's cause here, not to let make any complaints to the agent or owner of the vessel, as, we ourselves have resolved to suffer persecution silently. This Captain probably will be coasting up and

down afraid this winter, and
he might create some broils
between the native so as to dis-
turb the mission.

My own health has been
good excepting a day or two on
the voyage. The Dr and Mrs Lee
suffered severely from sea-sick-
ness during the early part of their
trip. I almost totally escaped.
while Charley suffered but a little
more. I feel as well here as in
America. God only knows how
long it may last. yet I shall strive
to be very prudent. The deaths
of so many Missionaries I trust
will not cause others from these
shores. I can but rejoice that
we are here ready to lighten the
burthens of our afflicted brethren
They must deeply feel the loss
of Mr Lyle and Mrs Brooks. They
are at rest from their labors, but

Miss. S. G. McAntosh
Sierra Leone, Nov 24/55,

Pray ye that the Lord of the harvest ~~would~~ send forth more laborers into the field.

I regretted very much that we were not permitted to meet at New York. The Number of the Missionary containing an account of your meeting at Chicago would be very acceptable and I trust ordering to receive it with a package of letters. The mail ship leaves soon and I must be brief. Please remember me to Mr and Mrs Jackson with those also at the Mission Room.

Yours in Christian love
S. G. McAntosh

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Rev. Geo. Whipple
Cor. Sec. A. M. A.

Dear Bro. I wrote to you, day before yesterday by mail. but it did not sail until yesterday on account of an accident on leaving port, caused by Brandy and instantly killing the Chief engineer. I have just learned from Capt. Taylor, Our Consul, that there is a vessel going to sail today, I avail myself of the opportunity to write. I informed you of the death of Mr. Tift. & Mrs Brooks. and Mr. Tift's child. Also the marriage of Mr. Flickinger & Miss Woodsey. I had not then learned that Dr. Cole & Miss Aldrich were married and gone home.

I learned from a Teacher, who arrived here yesterday from Han-mendi, that Mr. Thompson is preparing to come home, on our arrival. but as he is not aware that we are here, or that this vessel sail to-day, he will not be ready to come of course.

I will inclose in this package several letters to different persons. will you be kind enough to put stamps on them and mail them; this is the only plan that I know of by which our friends can hear from us, when the letters are sent by merchant ships.

Mr. Ezzidio and I have made arrangements to put the good in the Bonded Warehouse until we can send them to Good Hope. We wanted Mr. Headly, the Owner of the "Emily", to reship them into a vessel of his, which is up for Sherbro. but he wanted to charge us $60 for the

freight, we were unwilling to pay such a price, and consequently will have to delay their shipment for some time, I regret this as they need them.

We have had no opportunities to form any acquaintances among the different clergymen yet, but learn that they are usually very kind to our missionaries.

Mr. Johns, the teacher spoken of, informs me that he left the mission on account of one of the boys being received back into the school, who had taken a very active part in the scandalous letter written by some of the scholars and addressed to Mr. Jeff. It so grieved Mr. Jeff, that he became quite sick over it, and never arose from his bed afterwards. Receiving him back has created a general dissatisfaction among the scholars and missionaries, but as I am unacquainted with the whole case I am unable to judge of the matter, though I regret to find such reports come up here of the state of the mission.

Discouraging as the circumstances around us appear, we are ready to endure a great deal more that we have yet met for the sake of the cause of Christ and these perishing heathen. One general voice meets us here, Why do the brethern send you out here to be slaughtered by the climate! Why do the American Missionaries select the most unhealthy locations for their Missions? I cannot reply to these questions, until I see for myself what localities are selected. I am convinced of one thing it is this that, place any minister under the same amount of cares that our missionaries are, and nine out of every ten will die in any climate or locality.

You may see then that I do not blame the climate altogether, nor this dire(?) African Fever(?) for the deaths that occur among us. I read the instructions that are given to the Teachers at Haw-Mendi, and if you will find five out of a hundred of American Clergy or females who can or will carry them out, they would be entitled to 'rest in Heaven' at the end of two years, if works entile us to so great a reward. You no the friends of our cause must not greive over the deaths that take place, for they only relieve the chrushed Missionaries of burdens they have voluntarily taken upon themselves but are unable to bear.

I will have to close abruptly as the Capt. is waiting.

Yours in Christ
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My dear Brother.

I feel that I must write you once more before I go up the Boom. Bro. Flickinger left here last Wednesday, to visite the Boom and make choice of a place to locate a Station. He was so impatient that he would not delay his visite till I could go up. Bro. and Sis. Burton arrived here from Town Thursday evening after a passage of six days from Freetown. Bro. Burton was richly paid for his long passage for by it he was greatly benefitted. When he left the Colony he was but just able to walk to the Wharf. He came here feeling quite well. To day he has been in a complaining mode but is not confined to his room. I fear he will not stand much labor untill he has had some change, which he needs now. Sis. Burton is very well. Sis. Flickinger is not at all well. She is troubled much with an irritated condition of the bowels constantly, which she calls the effects of Colera. She has other symptoms indicating desease of long standing. She I fear is sinking, but, I hope, not rapidly. This is strongly indicated in a disposition to Hemorrhage during her monthlies. While on Freetown she came nigh loosing her life by flooding. Should she have fever in connection with these seasons and hemorrhage should set in it would doubtless cost her her life. We hope for the best but experience teaches us to fear for the worst. As for my self I can only say that I am tolerably well but can stand but a little. I have found great relief from my Asthma in homeopathy remedies. I think also that I am benefitted a little thereby in their use. My limbs are bad but not so as to wholly prevent my laboring. Boils and Sores are still abundent on various parts of my body. But I have one difficulty - of which I do not remember to have told you - which is of much

inconvenience not to speak of suffering. I have reference to an inflamation of the testis, and spermatic cord, induced in the first place by an external injury I received in getting into a boat nearly 5 years ago. For the last year I have been very much troubled by a weakness of the scrotum, so that the testis are unsupported by the spermatic cord only causing both the cord & testis to swell. Since my journies to Mobile overland I have not been able to reduce the inflamation to any considerable extent. What will be the result I know not. The disease is common here. I have seen men with a scrotum hanging to within an inch of the ground and as large round as a bushel basket. and the men who were obliged to have a boy follow him about to carry his testis in a basket after him. I hope I may not be brought to this painful necessity yet I fear that the longer I stay here the more difficult will be a cure. Rest is what I need to check this distressing disposition to disease. I have scarcely seen a post for six and a half years. You know how feeble you get during the warm months of summer and how the heat disposes to disease so that summer complaints are every where expected after a few days of dry hot weather. Here is the secret why we suffer so much and so often. We talk of acclimation but know not yet what it is, no one of our number is approximating to that talked of condition unless it be in the grave.

But our mission must not, may shall not be abandoned by us. We will not flee even to save our lives yet when others come to relieve us we will be your free, and cordial approbating sick health indeed brother country.

I have it in my heart to forward more facts relative to the disgraceful conduct of a few of the most advanced by of which I made some mention in recent letters. The Quarterly commenced by presenting the following letter to the Missionaries,

Kawmudi, Oct. 7. 1833. Rev. Geo. Thompson. D. D. M. We have been long in the Mission, and have greatly participated and sympathised with the missionaries in most of their afflictions. Some of our number were not able to bear all these little trials, so they have gone to their parents. We, the few that have tried to stay here, are not at all treated good. But some times we are spoken to as if we were mere dogs; and sometimes it is, that we are regarded and looked upon with contempt almost detestable. It is from yesterday that our lessons were slighted. This morning, literally, we have, with all long anxiety studied our lessons but our recitations have been neglected. We know, all the missionaries expect us to become Ambassadors of Jesus. but how can we become so, without a thorough investigation of the sciences that treat of our great Cause - even God?

We desire, with all our energies, to be missionaries, for the elevation of our Country. And by our utmost power to hasten that happy day when "Ethiopia shall stretch out her hands to God", we wish to be missionaries so when all shall be dead, we can preach "Jesus and him crucified". Who does not know that some of the missionaries are dishonest, even to committing adultery, and stealing Gods money? All these things we are conscious of, yea, moreover we intend to write to the Committee about all these things and give them a thorough and full information of the wickedness the missionaries are committing here - but - but - What? We consider well our beloved Geo. Thompson, who alone can be exempted from all the vices and follies, which the missionaries, that we come in contact with, commit. Nevertheless, if we are not treated well here after, and all the clothes, and hats, and shoes given us, we surely shall write to America. The former shoes, and old clothes that were sent here for us were permitted to lie in the sun and rot - and even now, it is so by us with some of the missionaries that by boys are to buy their own clothes, Gods money has often been destroyed

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and God's judgments will surely be executed on those who waste his name. During Mr. Thompson's absence, a prayer was made by one of the Missionaries [O.C. Sept. p. 18] saying that the boys are beggars. O! beggars! O! beggers! O! beggars. God change the hearts of these beggarly children. They are in habitual begging." This very prayer led many to inquire whether we are not bad for the missionaries, too not these Missionaries your Benefactors? was the general signal. One more fact. Whenever the missionaries do or commit any known sin they never assemble as in one place, and let him or them confess in the Church. Gross with grievances.

(Signed). James R. Anderson, James. Tucker, Chas. G. Tucker

After this letter was presented the Signers armed themselves and went about the town a while, them fearing they might be in the end sufferers for their conduct, left for Bianma, and from there they went to York Island, where the following letter was written for the "New Era" and "The African" for publication, the manuscript is in James Anderson's hand writing.

Character of the Missionaries at the locality of New Mendi.

First, Disrespect of the country and disgrace of its inhabitants, there are various demonstrations to verify that our country is disrespected; our parents abused, and the people disgraced, we their children, treated as slaves and some times whipped unmercifully, many a time it is, that we are spoken to unrespectfully, and these are their words "The children wish to pursue the same course of barbarism, and heathenism as their parents." Secondly, Taking the clothes sent for the children and keeping out of sight, till spoiled in the place of concealment, before they would be sold to the natives, or given to the children. This is the same case with the food sent from America, Bread can be in the store till spoiled before it is given away - It is a great sin, and every pious mind considers it

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so much, because of the poverty, or influence of those who
[illegible] these above mentioned things here. Thirdly: Britishness
of their laws, and instability of their purposes. They have made laws or
[illegible] that no one is to steal or commit lewdness, &c, &c, &c. But
some of them have stolen Gods money, and Dr. Cole and others have
had committed adultery, and nothing was said, except when Jack,
the wife of whom Mr Gray had been with, came and made report
to the head Men, on which account the Missionaries drove him
from the place. And tell the people that Jack's witness, after his
dictation, had written something to be read to them, and then it
was read, that he told a lie, and he also desire the people for
forgiveness. And what they told the people of Mr Thompson's life
was false, if the witness made any dictation he was forced to
do it. Dr Cole have gone to Freetown lately, bound for America
because he had committed adultery, and that led him to marry as
many as he pleased. Dr when he came to Kodiaki, was very poor
he had no good clothes but since he was appointed to reside at
Good Hope he has had the opportunity of scratching the best of
the goods, and sending them to be sewed for him, such as Shirts,
Coats, &c, &c. Gentlemen if you have, at any time, seen Dr Cole
with nice linen bosom shirts, he has taken most of them
from the Mission donations for Children. Fourthly, Their use
of words, &c, give us teachings than standing and preaching and
enacting it as a law that no one is to use any thing that could
make man drunk &c, &c. These are what we call false pre-
tentions, hypocrisy &c, &c. Very stingy people they are, some times
shoes are kept in the store until spoiled, and if any of the
children make requisition for shoes, or cloth, they immediately
that these things are better than them and therefore say they are
getting proud. But clothes are not the sent of pride [illegible]

manifests itself in clothes. It lurks in the secret bosom of the human heart. Self commendation is one of their noblest objects, they love to say with complacency, that they know something more than the English, and that the English mode of teaching is unprincipled, and that the young man educated in the College do not understand grammar, neither do they comprehend the language. Likewise they have to speak of their goodness, and in a word Mr Raymond's goodness, how much they love Africa, how much they desire to seek her glory. Africans do love those who love, and seek to elevate their country as the English. They love to please the English because of their amiable disposition, and intention to do good to them. For the Bible says righteousness exalteth a nation. The committee do love Africa but as they were seeking valuable men these poor fellows went there, and made solicitation to do good, but instead of doing good to the people, they do only good to themselves. The two former individuals convicted of lewdness before have gone to America, Mr Gray because he is a black man, they have reported. Their students might have been seen sent to their country but they are afraid to send them there, because of a circulation of their bad examples and character, and thus they keep their young men in the seminary, without a thorough investigation of theology or of some profession work, their wickedness ness and partiality have made them to suffer shame, and be objects of detestation to all the kings, and people around them, and was it not for the English government, they might have been expelled from the country long ago. In view of all this, they would have the audacity to insult the English, and speak many things against them, and against the Missionaries of that great good government which every one loves, these things are stated by the under signed and can yet be affirmed of students under their protection.

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The spirit of this letter was expressed by the subscribers for a number of days as they went from place to place. It seemed that they could not say too much against the missionaries. Mr. Anderson was grieved by James conduct and as soon as he could checked him in his career of folly and sent him back to Kar Mendi. Before James left he took occasion to beat as way his espousal sacrificing her virtue to passion and lust. On this account he could not be received until he had suffered the penalty of the law for "lewdness" which he at first shrunk from, and returned to Port Island to consult his father. He then returned again to Kar Mendi and submitted to the claims of the law & agreed to submit to a set of astringent rules, drawn up by Mr. Thompson, and was received to a trial. His confession was humbling, penitent, and seemed to come from the heart. I was myself much grieved, and on visiting Kar Mendi depressed to speak with him being under the impression that all the missionaries of the other stations were included in their letters. On account of this I received a very touching letter from Anderson. (Mr. B. had not yet seen the last letter of the boys) the following is a copy. Star Mendi, Oct. 20. 1857

Rev. Messrs. Brooks & Thoringer, - I feel myself unworthy to see your amiable bright faces. I feel that I have sinned grievously. I feel that I have rewarded evil and impudence to those who have brought me up - even my Christian parents - My heart is full of sorrow and contrition. I can say, with the venerable Psalmist "My sins are ever before me". Dear Fathers, I never have intended to sin so greatly before my Saviour, and before my dear missionaries, but oh! the human heart, the human heart, is truly desperate, and deceitful above all things. - Oh! that mine eyes, even as they heal were waters, that my eyes a fountain of tears that I might weep day and night for my iniquities.

I by your Pardon, and I earnestly solicit you to pray for me that my candlestick may not be removed from the church triumphant above — but may I be saved in the day of Christ Jesus. If I have ever been selfsufficient, and proud, now is the time for me to be humble, and rely on the Lord. If I have neglected my duty before, now is my time to perform them aright. Now is also my time to search the Scriptures, and to make them the authoritative rule of my guide, faith, and practice. I feel that I am more than the chiefest of sinners. O, Lord, change my heart, and renovate my character, and save me, at least for thy name's sake."

J. R. Anderson

After reading this letter I called James & William B. Lucken into my room to talk with the former. I first asked for a reason for his conduct. From his answer I learned that the chief cause leading to this wickedness was a "clique" in the school, chiefly for scandal. Here the rumors and suspicions originated over till they became to them facts. He said that they had no reference to any of the missionaries not mentioned by name or at least meant that in the matter of adultery they had no grounds for suspicion of any but Dr. Cole, Miss Aldrich & Mr. Gray. That they did not new to be guilty, that, the two former were suspected and behaved strangely if it was not so, that they heard the rumors from Good Hope workman, the Cook & School children but chiefly from Charles Jones who told what he had seen and that Dr. Cole had been having a long talk with him about the report &c. which they could not conceive he would do if not guilty.

He said that he was both hasty and wicked in what he had done and asked pardon, and expressed the hope that he might learn wisdom from the past, love & fear the Lord in the future. I kept with him believing his penitent & forgiven

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I received a note on the 20 Nov. from Mr. Thompson in which he says of James that he "has appeared penitent, and conducted himself remarkably well thus far." We have some hope that he will yet be useful. It is my opinion that the best thing we could do for our large boys and girls who are engaged is to have them marry and provide for themselves. Even though marriage might be a clog to their progress in their studies it would not be an objection equal to the danger of their liability to ruin. Do what we can, say what we may our larger boys will be with women. A wife is their only salvation. They have now fallen once, twice, or three times to my knowledge. We must prevent unlawful commerce or we will have a set of Bangas instead of virtuous teachers. A habit of promiscuous indulgence is soon formed and when once commenced marriage is no restraint, no security. On the strength of these convictions I shall marry William S. Tucker and his intended Ann E. Brainard as soon as they return to Mt. Zion. Br. Thompson is opposed to this, as it will place the parties beyond our immediate control. I think otherwise but we have no quarrel on the matter.

I am to go to Boom in a few days. Br. Thickanger has returned from a trip up to Mt. Zion. He likes the places chosen for stations and the River & country as well or better than he expected. But the distance and mosquitoes are strong objections in his mind to the Boom as a mission field. The "ends of the earth" must be shut out of the Saviours call unless there are some to bear his message to those "from far." He has now shing i in view. I shall do no more to urge him to go with me though I may be compelled to labor for many months & years alone in the field of my choice.

I go back to the Boom Falls with a sad and heavy heart, but I will not burden you with my sorrows. I trust in God for support, for grace & for success. I will do the best I can do alone, till help come, or I am called home, where I long to be with Jesus.

I have been revolving in my mind for some time past that a change to Greeltown a year would be better than a visit to America especially to New England. The change to New England is too much, there is no malaria or any other circumstances like those that exist here. If in a year or the next spring I should feel it duty to seek a change would the Committee allow me to stay in Greeltown or itinerate through the colony during the rains or for a year if necessary. If I can find labor there as an evangelist to pay my board? I feel was thinking of first returning to America I think I should like to spend a year in the Colony in such labors if my health would admit of it.

There is some doubt in my mind whether I shall be able to stay here many years if my life should continue. My limbs do prevent me from labor besides being the cause of great suffering. If I cannot get about to labor without so much suffering, is it duty for me to stay longer than help to supply the stations is coming to me? is a question often before my mind. But there are so many other motives rushing into my mind just here that I fear to decide what is duty. "He that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin" says the Apostle. Now how far in my case would pity towards God lead me to be insensible to the motives and desires of the world. If this were the land of my nativity, and father, mother, brother and sisters were around me, in the home of my youth, I should not think of going to other climes for health, but would be content to suffer on till death end my toil. But since home friends & country are all beyond the seas I feel I long to be with them which I know strengthens my desire for a change. I know that there are but few who would live here as I have and am still living. May the Lord direct me in ways of his own choosing.

Br. Burton is about building quite an addition to the Good Hope buildings. His object is to bring the children & school in the house with the Mission family so as to bring them more dis and constantly under the influence of their teachers and to get more room for acclimating persons. The addition to be made is over an addition put up last year and left unfinished. I will give you some idea of it by a rough plan

The part drawn with two lines is the addition of last year which is 14 x 38. E is the proposed addition of 12 x 38 for a dining hall for children with stairs at r to go down out of doors & at x to go up into the boys sleeping chamber at x also is a passage into Mr Burtons room in the same building - over the two lines between r & d there is to be no partition and the entrance to Kitchen and dining room is at L from the Mission house - between A & C are three cupboards for dishes & table linen &c. C is pantry to Kitchen. A school room 14 x 24 & addition 12 x 13 for bed room for teachers & addition 12 x 13 for bed room between these is a flight of stairs to go to sleeping room and clothes presses at o for each bedroom h is a passage 4 x 38 with stairs at n to go down out of doors from school room. The addition is to stand upon the walls of a. b. c. d. and pillars and is to be one & a half stories high from the pillars which are to be about 8 ft high - This addition will make all the room needed for the school purposes and be much better than to have it away from the house if we have our schools taught by American females - More room is needed at Good Hope to carry out the plans for a boarding school. I fear Br. Burton will not be able to go through with so much work. Where shall we have help? How long must we be crushed. Weak & feeble we must sink if not soon relieved.

I wish you would send to me, as easy as convenient, a good watch, one that has been proved to be good, worth from 15 to 20 $. A good fun bottle, for gold fun, say 2 of the broken one I sent you. The same style would be preferred, stocked with good wood. One bottle or two of Homeopathic Tinc. of Arnacy. 2 prs. Tweed pants, and a good tweed, or light broadcloth, sack coat, like the one I got with you, which was lost and stay behind you can get no such, send the cloth & trimmings. A velvet collar would be preferred. Send some good temperance tracts to me, not Maine Law, but facts for moderate drinkers & children and temperance, to begin, and carry on a work of temperance, for rum selling christians, and drinking christians, some facts for young temperance lectures. Something to show the poisons in the manufactured, doctored wines, beers, brandies &c, of the present day, great good can be done by their use.

When last in town, I gave a lecture in support of drinking a Bible argument. "Drink no longer water but use a little wine." I made it the duty of Christians, especially of young Ministers, to drink to drunkenness. My object was to crush the Bible argument, by an over dose. and did so the effect I learn was good, though two, of the six ministers present, thought it a wicked attempt. These two dosed grog too well to be an incorrect. Thompson's tracts are too cutting and harsh to take good. He gives them truth in chestnut burs, truth in pine apples, or oranges will be more generally useful.

Please place my name on all the things I order for myself. and by notice it on the bills.

Your unworthy & afflicted Missionary

Rev John G Brooks

Send to Mr. Buxton for Mrs. Summers. 12 Watts & Rippons Hymn Books with bill. for Baptist Church in Fox town.

Rev. J. G. Brooks
Send Books
March 1855
Send to Comm

D. M. Burton
Good Hope.
Nov 30/65

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7165
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Mission House,
Shekro Island, West Africa,
Nov 30th 1855.

Dear Brother Whipple,

I returned from town last week, much improved in health, and now feel encouraged to hope that I shall enjoy comfortable health during the dry season.

There are a few things that we would like to have you send to us, as soon as convenient, some of them I think that I wrote for last year, but I presume that it never reached you, namely, Glass for mending our Windows and Doors, for Windows 10 X 15 inch for Doors 8 5/8 X 16. also Glass 9 X 12 for Br. Brooks enough for 12 Windows 15 lights each, He has the sash made, and is very anxious to get the glass as soon as possible, I learn from my associates that there is a man in Ohio who has offered to give a ton of Grind stones yearly to this Mission, if they can be disposed of, The people are getting to want more such things lately, than formerly, and we have disposed of all the former lot but 6 or 8 of the largest ones, We could sell a good many small ones, and I think you would do well to inform the man so, that he may have the chance of giving, We also have calls for Axes, and all the more common, Carpenters Tools

such as Saws, Planes, Adzes, Augers, Chisels, Gimlets &c. Especially Axes, Please send by first opportunity 2 or 3 Doz good Axes with large Eyes, and 4 Doz Helves. We need Shoes & Slippers for our own use No. 8 to 11. Patent Leather, or Cloth with strong soles, are much the best to last long in this climate. I wrote you long since about Mr Nathan's books. The 9th & 10 Vols of Shakespeare & the last Vol, of Bancrofts History of the U. S. were either never received, or were lost in some way after they arrived. Please send them, as he has paid for them, and expects them. If you would procure Oil Butts to send our things in, they would come much more securely, and we can sell them for enough more than they cost in America to nearly pay the freight. The one that Mr Gifft brought, when he came, I sold for $11,00. I think it cost near $7,00. We could sell a great many Knives & Forks, and at a large profit. If you send 20 Doz of them, they will soon be gone. Also Soap, we could sell it for 20 cents per lb, if we had it, but we hardly got enough for our own use. Our goods are nearly always put into the Bonded Warehouse in town for a season, on their arrival, and the cost is per Ton, but the articles are never weighed but estimated by the

number of packages, so that a box of 70 lbs soap, or a ½ doz Pickles &c. is counted as much as a Bale or box of cloth weighing 500 or over, so that you will see that much may be saved by putting many small packages together,

Dec 10th Since writing the above, my health has not been good, but I am again better, I feel very much discouraged about my health, and fear that I shall not be able to endure much more here, I have had so many attacks of fever, that I have but little strength left to resist it,

Ever truly, Your brother in Christ D. W. Burton.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

Dear brother Whipple,

As I am sending a parcel of letters, I will try to write a few words to you. Mrs B. & myself came to town about 2 weeks ago. I was sick with fever when I left the mission. For a few days I was a little better, but was taken with fever again 4 days ago, and have been quite sick, but feel better today, and expect to start back to the mission tomorrow. I hope that as the dry season comes on, my health will improve, but if I continue feeble as I am now, and have been for much of the time during the past year, I shall be under the necessity of returning home to America next Spring.

The goods sent to us by the Falmouth came safely. In Halsted & Haines bill is 24 Doz Coats Thread charged, Nothing of the kind came. Mr Elliott, a good friend of ours here in town, wishes to have you send to the Mission, for him, a set of the Comprehensive Commentary. I think it would be well to do so.

Your affectionate brother in Christ,

D. W. Burton.

Bibles

Mr Burton has written to me also but without dating his letter,

L. F.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7166
FISK UNIV.

D. W. Burton,
Tuttowns.
Supposed Nov. – 1888.

HEN ARCHIVES

Belden

Revd George Whipple,

Dr. Whipple - I have examined the case you sent me and found the pencil to be imperfect so that I cannot use it. besides the silver is so poor that it will not keep in usable condition I therefore take the pen from it and send back the case. I have begged Dr Cole to let me have his which is a medium sized extension case of good silver with a small gold pen which you will kindly replace and charge me for any.

I have also begged him to let me have his copy of Trall's Cyclopedia of water cure which you will oblige me by replacing -

Yours affectionately

J. Paul Brooks M.D.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. H-7167
FISK UNIV.

Rev. J. S. Brooks.
Rec'd from Dr. Cole
Dec. 2/55.
Smith & pencil

Rev. Geo. Whipple.

Dec. 9. 1853. Tomorrow I start for the Bromo. Br Flickinger goes with me being providentially prevented from getting ready for Shingi at Cape Palmas near the Plantains. The unsettled state of affairs there prohibits any effort being done by Missionaries at present. Br. F. will try to get Mrs Brown, and we shall be associated together for the time.

Allow me, my dear Brother, again to press upon you the importance of sending one especially to take up the language. Our mission needs a linguist. We can do but little, or next to nothing with the language as we are situated, or with the materials we have to do with. ~~In the first place we have to use a gifted native linguist and teacher either Bassinah or Nathaniel. In the second place~~ We are so oppressed with other cares laid upon us by the circumstances in which we have been placed that we have neither time nor strength to do what we are obliged to do without taking up the language. Now you will say as you have said that we should let other things go to attend to so weighty a matter, yes, good advice, pardon me if I return it again and recommend that you, or some of your associates in the office to relieve you from present duties, or a portion of them to study the Mende & Sherbro languages, this places you just where we are. [redacted] man gifted and cultivated in language to attend to this matter while we continue our present labors.

Our work is a discouraging one without a linguist. The Doctor said to me only a day or two since that unless our Conf. should soon send us a linguist our prospects were dark and depressing. To consider this subject, pray over it, and act as the Lord may direct and give ability to do. ~~Pray~~

~~for a month missionary~~

~~Yours~~ John Seys

Rev J. H. Brooks

Dec 3, 1855

Almquist Medal,

Pub,

A. M. A. ARCHIVES

A. M. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-7168
FISK UNIV.

PUBLISHING OFFICE
OF THE
RELIGIOUS TELEESCOPE,
UNITY MAGAZINE,
Fröhliche Botschafter,
AND
CHILDREN'S FRIEND.

Printing Establishment of the United Brethren in Christ.

Dayton, Ohio, Dec. 4th 1855

Mr. Lewis Kaspar, Esqr.

Dr. Sir.

I was instructed, several weeks ago — to forward to you the sum of $*187,13. on acct. of the United Brethren, Board of Missions. Which acct. you will find enclosed in Draft. I am ignorant how the money is to be applied. and only know that it is for missionary purposes. You will undoubtedly be aware of the facts of the case, and know how to apply it.

You will please excuse the long delay. and charge it to the Printing Establishment. and not the Board of Missions. we were for several weeks short of funds,

Please acknowledge receipt

Yours truly S. Vonnieda
Agt.

* This is the balance against the United Brethren Mis'y. Society on our ledger.
I have the draft. & have credited the U. B. Society the amount.
W. Billeter

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NO. F1-7169
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Dayton O. Decr. 24/53

S. Vonnieda sends to pay balance due from United Brethren $157 13/100

Replied that money had been received & placed to their credit

for the Bd Ldrs

Copy

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F-7170
FISK UNIV.

Saurs Tappan, Esq

Kaumendi, Dec. 5, 1855

My dear Brother,

Your very kind note came to hand on the 3d by the hands of Dr Lee, just as I was prepared for the Boom. I have not visited Mo-Tappan since my dear wife's death, partly on account of my health, ~~and~~ partly on account of my feelings, and partly on account of Mr Burton's being called to Freetown on business. He wanted some one to take charge of Good Hope during his absence. (No breach) I have frequently had letters from the teachers, who state that the schools (4 in number) are in a prosperous condition. I now feel anxious to get back, again to take charge of my chosen flock.

We are disappointed in the smallness of our ~~recruits~~ reinforcement. Br Burton has long kept up his spirits by believing that he should be liberated from his cares. Now he ~~says~~ sees no hope of having help, and is quite discouraged. I fear he will go, rather be compelled to go to America soon. If he should Good Hope must be left empty or some other portion of our work suffer. It is decided that I am the only one who can relieve him. If I do so, Boom Falls must be left in the hands of native teachers, which will be next to giving up the station. It is said that if it were not for the dread the people have of me they would at once plunder the station. I have been reported three times to be dead, which has been the occasion of the people showing what they would do if I were out of the way. I have tried to have brother Fliedenger take the charge of Boom Falls till help comes out. I have offered to give him the station till help comes out to open Mo Gbwari for him - He

would be willing to do this if our number were agreed in the matter.

Bro. Thompson is willing if nothing better can be done. Bro. F. will not take the station only on some condition that will serve him ~~as~~ for an excuse to his committee for not opening a station of his own. We all fear he will never be able to meet his expectations. His committee have thrown him into a very unpleasant position. It is too cruel for our friends to work up their own expectations so high as to jeopard the life of their faith and God's purposes to save Africa, by falling back on the reality must be or we be crushed by attempting to meet their wishes.

To many it is not enough for us to be governed by the providence of God. Nothing will do but that we accomplish the parlor and pulpit plans and expectations of our good and wise claiming friends in America. If by chance or necessity we fail we are subject to the severest reproof and censure, but if we die, why, what? O nothing only Africa is a deadly climate, or how imprudent things, we have been careless, have been presumptuous, wild. And it matters not if we have attempted only the smallest portion of what was expected of us — life has been thrown away.

These are facts, my dear brother, which the burdened and bewildered missionary feels. Let me be understood. I do not believe our friends would, if they knew it, do us the injury of plucking out a single hair of our heads. But we know what is expected by our friends, and when we get here we are set right at once, we see that we have calculated, with our friends, impossibilities. Our eyes are open, but our friends see as they have done. They see no cause to change their opinions and hopes. We don't want to disappoint them. We love the cause. We know it will suffer by the disappointment of its supporters, and we will as much ~~heart~~ folly but as true a heart attempt to do what we know looks to be more than mortals so

that we are affected as much by the opinions of our friends as we should be were they unreasonably hard and wilfully severe with us.

Mr ~~Fleckinger~~ is placed in just the light represented. He feels compelled to undertake what his own reason guided by experience tells him is scarcely possible. He feels that the cause, so far as his own church is concerned, demands it, and he nobly stands prepared to attempt the opening of a new station though the probability seems to be that he will lose his life by it.

Up to the present I have hoped we should be able to help him, but we cannot take care of our own stations. We have hoped to have help sufficient to meet the wants, at least, of our present opened work, but we are disappointed, discouraged, and almost on the point of giving up. O may we have health and a heart to stay by till we can accomplish the meaning of our station.

While there is such a dark cloud before our minds I am astonished at what the Lord hath wrought for me. My faith was never so strong, never living on God because he is God or his cause because the cause is God's with a death-grasp as for the last few weeks. Were I called to witness the breaking up of our beloved stations and be myself brought to death's door it seems that I should shout victory — that I should expect a beautiful Eden of prosperity and beauty to rise from the crushed and ruined mass. The example of Gideon is a strong stay to my soul. The Lord knows just how wild a storm is necessary for our real prosperity, and what is more he loves us so well, and his cause so well, and is so true to his blessed and unchangeable nature that he will send storms when they are best and clouds when they are greatest blessings. And the storms & clouds will be just in the time and proportion to do us the greatest possible good.

M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. E1-7/7/7
FISK UNIV.

Dr Lee & wife and Miss McIntosh came to Kaw-menoli today, with strong hopes & high expectations of acclimating at this station, but before they had been here an hours they begged to be allowed to acclimate at any other place than here. It is no longer a mystery to them that there have been so many victims to the climate fallen here. They are astonished that so many have lived here. I doubt not but the Dr will give you a full account of his impressions himself, so I will not dwell on this point more.

We are expecting War at Bom Falls this season. One town belonging to the Boom people has been taken by Congo people, and vigorous efforts on both sides are being made to fight this dry season. What the result will be we know not, but think it quite likely we shall have our faith tried a little. May the Lord help us to meet such an issue if brought upon us with that Christian fortitude becoming the Gospel of Peace. I do not covet such a trial, but I think I should not turn aside from duty to avoid it. I know the wars of this people, having been twice a prisoner, and several times a witness to their horrible cruelties. Yet I fear them not, so long as God is with us. If he wills me to the wars of this wild people I am sure I have no other choice.

I just now to inform you of the condition of this writing comes to you in. I have penned this by a process wholly new to me & think the manuscript will be more readable than letters written in the ordinary way.

With much love to yourself & your excellent lady, though I have not the pleasure of her acquaintance, I am unworthily your brother in Christ.

John T. Brooks.

John T. Brooks — Copy
Rec. 3/5/56
Recd Feb. 1 1856

The writing was so illegible that I had to copy his letter. Begg him not to write any more letters by the new "process".
Mrs Tappan was introduced to him in Boston at the annual meeting when Mr & Mrs Brooks were there with Clarpee.

Telescope Office
Dayton 5th 1855

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. A-7172
FISK UNIV.

Mr Lewis Tappan

Dear Sir—

The amount due the A. M. A. on account with the* U. B. B of Miss has been remitted as I am informed, by the Pub Agent of the Religious Telescope. When the draft is recieved please inform me of it by letter at your earliest convenience. The Amount as per your acct dated 27th Aug/55 is $157.13.

Very Sincerely
Wm J. Shuey

* United Brethren Board of Missions

Dayton O. Dec 5/53

Rev Wm J. Sluey about money sent

Replied that Mr Formoda had remitted $ 157.13

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Good Hope Mission House.

Shepstone Island. W.A. Dec. 7

Rev. Geo. Whipple. Cor. Sec.
of A.M.A. & B. Beekman St. N.Y.

A.M.A. ARCHIVES
NO. F-1113
FISK UNIV.

My dear Brother.

Dr. Lee and his companion
arrived, and on the 6th inst, we had a meeting at Raw Mendi,
the following members of our Mission were present, viz. Mr. Thomp
Jeffr. Miss. Mise. Dr. Lee. Mrs. Lee. and Miss. Mastinger a
self. at which time the following resolutions were unanim

1st That John L. Brooks be, and is hereby appo
secure Welle for a Mission Station, and that s
way of men and means, as may be needful, be supple
Whereas, our strength is insufficient to carry on Boom Falls
tion, together with our other stations, as seems needful, therefore
solved, that Boom Falls Station be committed to the care of D
ickinger, untill such time, as we receive help sufficient,
herewith the opening of Mo Gbwari for him.
In view of the feeble state of Bro. Burton's
John L. Brooks, be permitted to assist him,
needful.
Resolved, Provided a suitable place can be secured, Raw Men
at the earliest date possible - and that hereafter the
station be regarded an our station, and be plac
der the care of a native Assistant.
These resolutions have been considered, and agreed to by Br
Sister Burton. Bro. Hickinger is not willing to take
Falls field, unless we will transfer the station to him, su
to the approval of the Ex. Com. of the A.M.A. and of the U.B.C.B.
with the further provision, that we open Mo Gbwari for his Com.
case either his, or our Com. object. This I am not willing
We have been instructed by you, not to give up a place, untill we
first secured your approbation. I therefore cannot take the responsibility

A. M. P. ARCHIVES
NO. [illegible]

On account of my unwillingness to transfer the Station and the circumstances which seem to render it necessary that I should not my self go to the Boom but stay with Br. Burton. Br. Flickinger has concluded not to go to the Boom at all either to take charge of Boom Falls or to open Mr. Gwari. He now thinks of trying for Shingi again. and if he cannot succeed there he will look for some other field nigh at hand -

Since writing the above Br. Flickinger has made an effort for Shingi but has failed. We then concluded to help him to look out a new field. To explore the Mpari river situated between the Jong and Bargrou I accompanied Br. F. living Bro he on the evening of the 7th. on a tour of one day and a night - during which time we went up the Mpari river as far as the boat could go at high tide. In the whole distance we saw only one place that would at all answer for a Station and that was no better than Kaw Mendi. Children for Schools and people perishing for lack of knowledge were abundant. but for aught we can see they must be left with out God and without hope to certain perdition. untill we can have native help to care for their souls.

Br. F. is again afloat. but inclines to try to open Mr. Gwari and will accompany me up the Boom on Monday to introduce himself to the Kagbanta & Chiefs of the Boom country and also to Konani for a site for a mission. He is determined to go ahead.

It is our settled conviction that Br. F. should not attempt to open a new Station. that considering his own & wife's health he ought to do what he can at Good Hope this season. & considering our weakness and inability to do what we have laid out before us that he should relieve in all he can -

We hope to be directed. and pray that he may be - pray for us - that the Lord may send forth labourers into the vineyard -

Your unworthy missionary

Rev John L. Wood.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. D-114
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Mission House
Sherbro Island, December 10th 1855

Mr Lewis Tappan
Dear Sir

I write to inform you that, I have received a letter of Credit on Messrs Brown, Shipley & Co. Liverpool payable in London, at four months sight, for Three Hundred pounds Sterling (No 1949) date 24th September 1855, but unfortunately it is not available at present, as it cannot be drawn upon, except by Dr T. J. Cole, or J. Cutler Sifft. Last year, I wrote to Mr Whipple, that our agent in town would much rather have bills of exchange on our Society in New York, at Thirty days sight, than bills on England at four months, That is still the case, and were it not, that we do a great share of our trading for goods, with him, we would be under the necessity of ~~paying~~ allowing a discount on our bills, in order to get cash. I will keep the letter of Credit till I hear from you in answer to this, and in the mean time, draw, as the Mission may need, in small sums, on the Society in New York, for funds,

Very truly yours — D. W. Burton,

✓ D. W. Burton
Africa
Dec 10/55
rec^d Feb 18/56

Has rec^d letter of Cr
dated Sept 24/55 £300
Can't rec^d as Cons Sept
only could draw
Will do still his own drafts

and refers
L B.

Just alludes to this letter in
Cerr

ARCHIVES
M.A.O.
ALIGU

Letters received from Africa Dec 10. 1855.
by Doctor Cole.

W. G. Whipple from J. S. Brooks, July 9. 1855 (G.H.)

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. EI-7773
FISK UNIV.

"	from J. S. Brooks		Freetown	Oct 11. 1855
"	"	"	confidential	Oct 16. 1855
"	"	"	"	Oct 24. 1855
"	"	"	"	" "
"	"	D. W. Burton	Good Hope	Oct 4 "
"	"	T. G. Cole	" "	Sept 1. 1855
"	"	J. C. Jeffs	Kaw Mendi	Sept 4 "
"	"	"	"	Sept 29/55
"	"	"	Good Hope	Oct 9/55
"	"	Mrs L. R. Jeffs	"	" 19/55
"	"	G. Thompson	Kaw Mendi	July 14/55
"	"	"	Good Hope	Sept 27/55
"	"	"	Kaw Mende	Oct 3/55
"	"	"	"	"
"	"	"	Good Hope	Oct 5. 1855
"	"	"	Kaw-Mendi	Oct 12/55
"	"	"	x Good Hope	Nov 1. 1855

x probably should be Oct 1.

Lewis Jeffers, from J. C. Jeffs.

Mrs Martha Thompson, from G. Thompson

F. Douglas from J. C. Jeffs, with note to G.W. of July 30 authorizing G.W. to read, the letter to F. D.

List of
Letters from Africa
Rec'd Dec 10, 1835,

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-1116
FISK UNIV.

Kaw Mundi Dec 12/75.

Dear Bro Whipple —

I cant write long — but only say, I have written my Journal, up to this time, in my Wife's letter, which you can read, to get an idea of our state, & doings — copy any thing you wish, & forward to her wherever she is — if alive (for I confess I almost expect to hear of her death! — This separation, in her weakness wears on her spirits & body — It is fast bringing her down to the grave — What shall I do? — Shall I not, make arrangements to start home by next Spring? But send more Laborers — or the work cannot go on —

Dr Lee, & Lady, & Miss Mc C — are lonely laborers — We are as one — no jars — a disord, a unpleasantness — & there needed not have been in former companies if there had not been some crab apples among us — so some & little none could eat them — the taste of them made every one put on a dreadful long face —

Burton, & Wife will. His Mony to start home next Spring — if he lives — for he is very poorly — & the wonder is that he is alive — he has taken so much Opium Quinine, Calomel, Ale, Wine, &c — (Also Dr Lee says too) Brooks has miserable health — cannot take charge of Mr Tappan — have it with nature help — & visit occasionally. My health good — Louisa smart — Harmat comfortable — The Lord guide & bless you — & his flock —

Your Bro Geo Thompson —

Rev Geo Thompson
Raw Mendi
Dec 12/55

George Whipple
48 Beekman St
New York

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-1177
FISK UNIV.

Rec'd Dec. Com.

Rec'd Dec 17 1855
Ans Feb 1855

S. F. Lee
Chica

Kau Mendi. W. A. Dec. 12th 1855

Lewis Tappan Esqr.
Treas. A. M. A.

Dear Brother I can offer no apology for not writing to you at an earlier period, but a want of time. Since we came here I have been as busy as a bee from 5 o'clock in the morning until 9½ at night. You have learned from my letters to Bro. Whipple that we had a long, tedious and disagreeable voyage. One thing that added no little to our sufferings, were "those cane mattrasses", we, with you, were under the impression that they were the scrapings of the reed, but we soon learned different, after being at sea a few days, they imbibed moisture, and had a very offensive odor; after getting several soakings in sea water during storms, they became intolerable. I mention this that, there be no more sent out with missionaries, good hair (not moss) or cotton are much prefferable. We do not need beds here as all the Stations are well supplied. We arrived at Kau Mendi on the 5th inst. 66 days after leaving New York. Our passage from Freetown to Good Hope was without interest, save that of sea sickness and the inconvenience of having 26 men crowded into a vessel about as large as one of the rooms at 48 Beekman St. We remained at Good Hope two days, we found Bro. & Sister Burton anxiously awaiting our arrival. Bro. Burton is not well (Why?) Whenever he has symptoms of a chill, he takes (he tells me

Yours &c. &c.
S. F. Lee

5 gr. of Calomel, followed by 40 gr Quinine. Now as there is plenty of room to bury people in Africa, I suppose he might as well die here as anywhere, but as we cannot afford to lose any of our Associates, I have some objections to such suicide if we can call it such, but I, of course, do not urge him to do otherwise, as he laughs at our system. The rest of our Brethern and Sisters are glad of our treatment in sickness. We expect to take Bro. Brooks through a course of treatment; to cure up his boils, ulcers and sore legs. We think we can restore him to health through God's blessing. He desires to labor for Africa, and is a most faithful laborer in the midst of all his suffering. Bro. & Sister Flickinger are both pursing the old plan of taking Quinine for chills, and though now in tolerable health, would speedily follow the rest of our brethern though they are willing to pursue a different course.

Mrs. Lee and I are not surprised that so many of the missionaries have died at Hau Mendi. It is equal to any pestilential spot I have ever read of. The building is just far enough from the river to be filled with the noxious effluvia without the advantage of the fresh air from the surface of the water. On either hand are low swampy grounds exhaling their foeted dampness, behind is a growth of trees to prevent a free circulation of the air all these localities combine to render it very unhealthy. On a clear moonlight night, we have dews that are so heavy, the ground looks as if it had received a shower of three hours length. It is much more pleasant on cloudy nights, when the atmosphere is not so suddenly

cooled. Exposure to the night air causes a cold clammy condition of the skin which is very disagreeable and the sure precursor of disease. Flannel is the only remedy for this together with frequent bathing and the use of the flesh brush. Again the regulations of the house are very disagreeable, but cannot be changed much. We are compelled to have the girls sleep in one of the piazzas or side rooms. The building itself is more convenient than the one at Good Hope. There are about 30 persons to breathe the atmosphere over and over again during the night; we cannot have the windows open on account of the disagreeable odor coming from the Mangroves. I tried to sleep with my window open, but was awakened in the night by that oppressive exhalation which almost suffocated me, those who have been here do not feel its effects so much. This is not all. The water we use is from the river, which soaks and runs among all kind of decaying vegetable & animal matter and never runs off, it being tide water, the distance from the sea and the islands at the mouth of the river prevents a regular current, and the water runs slowly down only to return again with the next tide. This we know by the fact that we are near enough to the sea to have salt water were the current strong enough, and did the fresh water flow off, but you have only to examine a good Navigation Chart to find the cause of it. We have a well and spring of good water but the natives in the Billiages soon dirty them, and for some reason they are not attended to as they should be

I will try to have them cleaned. The children have been in the habit of making a rendevouse of the house, but I have put an end to that. We would like to live like a family but cannot do it if 70 or 80 children make a thoroughfare of our rooms.

We are all well here except Miss McIntosh who is going through the acclimating process. She was taken with a chill on the 7th but done nothing for herself until the evening of the 8th. She has had a severe time but is much better and will get well. They all say here that she would have died if she had been under the old treatment.

I found the school here in great need of a good teacher. Miss Moore is almost chrushed with the care of 80 children and we have no native Teacher. We expect one by 1st of Jan. I am arrangeing the school and find many bright geniuses among them.

A. M. E. ARCHIVES NO. FISK U.

Some of the Brethren have no doubt informed of our intention to remove this station to Wela. We must do it or all die off, and if it is not done Mrs. L. & I will go to some other station. Can you not send us help, we want some to assist us, not be in our way, nor want us to wait on them. We all work hard here, and I beseech you to send no Allopathic Physicians here. If Bro. Burton goes home which we think he will, we would be united against any such a character coming among us. Do not send any and you will save us trouble and the Committee expense. Those who have been were a curse to the Missionaries, and no doubt what Bro. Thompson says is true, they helped some of them to their graves. We are so well united now it would be a pity to spoil the harmony. I will finish on another sheet as I must send this now

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-7188
FISK UNIV.

Kaw Mendi Dec 12/55

L Tappan

Dear Brother, Yours of Sept 26th was duly rec'd, by Dr Lee — Thank you —
This last company seem to be of the right stamp. We are exceedingly delighted with them —
Dr Lee & Wife, are lovely helpers. They are perfectly delighted with every thing, except the location —
The School — progress of children — evidences of piety — attention of people on preaching, &c delight them exceedingly. Dr Lee said to me. "The half has not been told, about the bright side of things here" — Again "I believe these children have faster than children in America" — Again "I am surprised to find so much understanding of religious things — & such mature Christian experience" — &c &c
She is in the School — & if she has health, will, doubtless make great improvement — The school only needs proper attention, to make it surpass any thing in Africa. It is now ahead of any thing in Freetown, or Liberia — except their Colleges — so confessed —
Miss Mc Intosh is delighted, the same way — but has been in her fever for nearly a week — but appears to be doing well — so Mrs Dr Lee thinks who attends upon her —

Shall I not come home, & my family, next spring, if God spares my life? Must we always thus live? It is bringing my dear Wife, rapidly to the grave.
So Lester must labour — or Mr Tappan will fail — Dare can't enlarge — Boston then, Your Bro Geo Thompson

The Lord is fast hastening out his spirit upon us; Revivals are commenced — Praise the Lord

✓ Geo. Thompson
Africa
Dec. 12/55
Rec'd Feb. 18/56

Read this w. Com., but
do not publish it.

Lewis Tappan

48 Beekman St

New York

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7174
FISK UNIV.

Morgan, Ashtabula Co. O.
Dec 15, 1855

Brother Whipple,

We yesterday rec'd a letter from Mrs. Jeffers, under date of 19th September giving us an account of the death of their child. On the envelope we found written, Jeff is dead. We can but hope that the report of the death of Brother Jeff may have arisen from the death of their child. However we apprehend our worst fears are to be realized.

Write us immediately, and let us know what intelligence you have of what is regard to Bro Jeff & and if you have any recent intelligence from Mrs. Jeffers.

Fraternally yours,

J. M. Frader

J. M. Fraser
Morgan,
Ashtabula Co
Ohio
Dec 15/55.

ЛЕК. ИНЖ. ВЕНИЦЕЛАТОС

D. J. Lee
Kan Mendi
Dec 20/55

Kan Mendi W. A. Dec 20th 1855

George Whipple

Cor. Sec A.M.A.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. 71-780
FISK UNIV.

Dear Bro.

You will find with this, that Mrs Lee has written at length in refference to Miss McIntosh's case. We are unanimous in the opinion that she is not sane and is not a suitable person to retain here as a missionary. We had strong indications of her insanity during the passage out but did not like to express an opinion until we had more evidence. Her remaining among us would prove a constant sourse of anxiety to all of us. I am surprised that her friends would allow her to come out here, thought they had saved the Association the expense of her outfit. Pres. Blanchard and Rev. Mr. Bascom must certainly have seen symptoms of her want of intellectual capacity for such an undertaking. We will send her home by the very first opportunity, should she live.

Had she been sane, she would not have

offered herself as a missionary, knowing that she is liable to those spasmodic attacks.

I was very sorry that you did not see her before we sailed, as I would then have given you my opinion about her, more fully than I felt at liberty to do under the circumstances.

We have ~~hour~~ our health very well at present but you will see by my letter to Bro. Toppan that I consider it a risk to remain here at Hau hau.

I do not think that this climate has any thing to do with ~~her~~ Miss Mrs. Intosh's partial derangement. Had she taken our advice she would not have been sick at this early period, and when she was taken ill, of course she would be more liable to those attacks, she had two and her mind has suffered much, she is more and more liable to them as the their frequency increases, and will perhaps never recover ~~from~~ even in america. As for sending her to some other mission, that would be folly in the extreme. I name this because she wants me to recomend her being sent to a more heathy part of the missionary field.

Being a missionary is a sort of hallucination with her, and she no doubt thus misled the minds of her friends, by her apparent zeal in the cause.

Disagreeable as is the task, we will inform her of our opinion of her case, for she does not appreciate her condition, and will of course deny it. I shall read this to her, and would recomend that both letters be laid before the Ex. Com.

Yours in Christ David P. Lewis

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F-7181
FISK UNIV.

Kavo-Mendi, Dec 20th

Rev Th. E. Lee
Kavo Mendi
Dec 20/58

Esteemed brother

The information I am called upon to give you in reference to Miss McIntosh's case is extremely painful to us & to each of our co-laborers in the cause of Christ in this field; during our sea voyage we learned from her that she was subject to an unpleasant sensation of her heart & that she had on two occasions been near death from "strangulation as she termed it." I examined & enquired minutely into the symptoms & found that it was a spasmodic contraction of the heart produced no doubt by organic derangement; and increased by the general defect in the circulation. I immediately proffered her my advice and remedial agents explaining to her the necessity of having a regular and general circulation kept up in the system & that unless this was attended to she was liable to fall a prey to it suddenly; but failed to succeed in convincing her that she was not well so long as she had an appetite to eat her allowance and was able to go about; She has a strong well developed muscular system and but for this organic defect would be capable of enduring a great deal, consequently she stood the trip much better than the Dr and myself. The salt air toned her up and gave her a voracious appetite which she indulged to its full against our remonstrances, beside wearing a pair of india rubber shoes instead of leather most of the time, we saw the fire kindling and daily warned her that by and by it would rush upon her like a mighty torrent, but while she seemed to realise the

propriety of our remarks, she was willing to run the risk,
I do not think that our failing to impress her originated
from contrainess, unkind feelings, or a lack of confidence
in me; as all of her direct words and actions indicated the
contrary. In all of our privations and suffering inflicted
by the Capt she deeply sympathized with us and would
have resented it had I not restrained her, but indirectly
and unintentionaly she was the sole cause of it, The Capt
was a low-bred-vulgar wicked man and we discovered as
soon as he came aboard that we were to have no religious privileges
or spiritual things
or access either to him or the crew and consequently we had
to throw ourselves on our christian dignity and not counte-
nance his blasphemous contempt for all that was god and
just by our presence, I presume that it would have ended here
and that by such a course we would have at least restrained him,
and secured ourselves good treatment had we effected no perma-
-nent moral good, but she seemed to ~~view~~ look upon his conduct
with indifference and listened to his conversation and appeared
to enjoy ~~et~~ his society and oppose all the confidence in him
that a decent and worthy man was entitled too, He took every
advantage of this and while he used it to our discomfort he
would make sport of her and touch even upon indecent things
to the mate, saying that notwithstanding these Miss Mc. Intosh
would keep his company if we did not, and that he was
resolved that we should feel the weight of his wrath,
3 weeks has spired and from the delicacy I felt in laying the effects
of her inadvertent course before her, together with my being constantly
sea-sick I thought I would try what another weeks example with a
few hints would do, and if it did not bring her to think I would

in the fear of God lay it before her, I was constrained to do it & did it ~~in~~ private and in the most gentle manner I was capable off, but she misconstrued it and told me she did not want any of my advice and that she was capable of selecting her own companions, I plead with her till she cried and the next day he displayed his cloven foot so plainly that her mind laid hold of it and then she could look back upon past scenes and realize the weight and force of our example and remarks; her indignation was aroused to such an extent that she wanted to express her mind to him, but I thought it was not best to do it, She was so afraid of erring on this point again that she would not ask him a question or get in his way without asking me if she she should do it; from that time on he treated all of us kindly and behaved decently in our presence; upon a more intimate acquaintance I soon discovered that the defect was in her mind and not in the least degree attributable to her morals; and though it was not at all pleasant to be compelled to decide what a person older than myself should or should not do, and to answer a hundred or more simple and useless questions during the day more particularly when one is sea sick I endeavored to entertain her as she said she was driven to seek the Captain's company because we were sick and could not talk to her;

The 2d day after our arrival at Kaw-Mendi she was attacked and had a serious time of it (Typoid fever) but in the use of the most prompt an energetic treatment ~~means~~ and good nursing from Miss Moore Mrs Tefft Mr Thompson and ourselves we succeeded in relieving her of chill and fever, She was able to get up and bathe with a little assistance, on the night of the 14th she retired, went to sleep, about 12 O'clock Mrs Tefft being in the room with her was aroused by a scream from her, she called for us; The Dr hastened in, he found her struggling for breath

having been suddenly siezed with one of these spasms she had told us of, it was with much difficulty that he could equalize the circulation sufficiently to resussitate her, it was not our opinion that she would live till morning, but she did recover physically but not mentally. The next day she had another and lay insensible 2 days; 3 days has transpired and no symptom of another, but she is entirely beside herself and has to be watched day and night. She fancies that she cannot stand alone or feed herself, though when we leave the room she gets up and really has considerable strength, her wants are innumerable and we are all nearly worn out with watching and waiting on her, last night we ventured to trust her with 2 of the larger girls, that we might recruit some. I fixed her comfortably to bed, told her to go to sleep; but as soon as we all got to bed she made the girls bring in her large trunk and she got up and proceeded to dress herself to take a trip to Good-Hope, The Dr had to go in & watch her the balance of the night. As soon as he went in she feigned entire helplessness and asked him to wash her face for her, he told her that any body that could get up and rummage a trunk might afford to wash their own face, upon which she turned over, wrung the cloth out of the basin by her side and wiped her face; In consideration of our other labors the burthen of an insane person is quite insupportable and the constant call upon our sympathies lays us liable to disease daily. The burthen of our prayer is that the Lord will direct us in the faithful discharge of every duty we owe an afflicted sister in a strange and heather land, should she live we will send her home the first suitable opportunity.

I have laid these things before you from a sense of duty to her and in justice to ourselves; I know not where the blame lies in recommending her to the Missionary labor, there is a mystery connected with it that I cannot solve, we put up in a private family in Freetown a week after our arrival, and the Landlady asked the Dr in confidence ~~that~~ if our Companion was not insane, Mrs Tift requests me to say to you, that she has given up the idea of coming home,

Your sister in Christ, Mrs M. C. Lee

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7182
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Mission House
Shurbo Island Dec 21st 1855

Mr Lewis Tappan,

Dear Sir,

I have this day drawn bills of Exchange, for One Hundred pounds Sterling, at thirty days sight, in favor of John Ezzidio Esqr, on the Treasurer of American Missionary Association.

We will probably need to draw some three or four hundred pounds, about the first of March next, to meet demands against the Mission, for Building &c.

We received a package of letters by the English Mail this Morning, but not one word from the Rooms.

Very truly yours

D. W. Burton,

D. W. Burton
Africa
Dec. 21/55
rec'd Feb. 18/56
Letter of advice
£100
Dec 21 – favor
John Braided
ans 22 Feb.

Read in Com.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7182A
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Sold by H. Anstice, Stationer, 27 Nassau-street, cor. of Cedar.

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" " "	
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40	One Barrel Groceries	
41 to 43	Three Kegs Sugar	~~$125.~~
44	One Hf Bbl. Syrup	$49.54
45	" Box Wheat Grits	
46	" Package 3¼ Boxes of Raisins	
47	" Box Sweet Oil	
48	" Box Codfish	$2.12
	Twelve Boxes tin roofing	$105.75

numbered as in the margin; and are to be delivered in the like good order and well

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signs, he or they paying freight for the said goods seventy eight

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W-YORK, *the* 24th *day of* December 1855

tunknown to C. M. Ford

Bill of Lading of
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Bound for Sierra Leone
Dec 24th 1835

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-183
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20 Bread St. Hill
London Dec. 31st 1855

Lewis Tappan Esqr

Sir

We sent you early in Nov. a Bill for acceptance drawn by S. G. Cole upon you dated Sept 13/55 @ 30 days for £100, not having heard from you about it, we fear it may have miscarried, and shall be glad to know if you have rec. it or not

We remain
Yours resp.
Thos Morgan & Son

✓ Thos. Morgan & Son
London
Dec 31/56

Remitting net to
Cr's draft £100
& I had anticipated
hereby a remittance

L. Tappan Esqr.

Dear Brother — I send with the cotton gin a small Box of Bed Castors — We only ordered 6 setts and you sent us 36 — more than would supply the West Coast of Africa We can not find sale for them & I send back 24 setts — They can doubtless be returned to whence they were purchased

Yours Truely David P. Lee

A. M. A. ARCHIVE
NO. A-784
FISK UNIV.

Please ~~send~~ us by 1st Opportunity
Box 11 X 15 in Window Glass.
We are much in need of
it to keep out the rain and
let in light. — Yours
D. F. Lee

Order for Glass
about sending load
Cotton Gin
receive

To the Committee of the
A. M. A., 48 Beekman St. N.Y.

Beloved Brethren, Whereas,
our beloved Bro. Geo. Thompson
who has labored long, & hard,
& alone, "bearing the heat &
burden of the day, when
there was no other to labor
in this sickly field - has
been charged, by some,
with exaggeration - with
misrepresenting the success
of the Gospel, here, & the
superiority of the African field -
We desire, hereby to say,
without hesitation, & with
emphatic earnestness,
that so far as we have yet

D. R. Hickman & others
Committee G. S.
Cincinnati July 6 1855

seen, & had experience in the same field, we feel that he has not used any exaggerated statements, or given too glowing colors, respecting either the past success of the Gospel here, the present condition of the people & children, or the future prospects of this wide, ripe field, if the men & means could only be had, to "Go up & possess the Land", as the Lord requires, has all the indications of His Providence urge us, speedily to do. What we, ourselves have seen, is even beyond any glowing statement, we ever saw, from Br. Thompson or any other one.

To enter heartily into the work, of doing the people good, saving their souls, is to see such little scenes as Br. T. has described.

D. K. Flickinger
Hannah Moore
Jane A. Winters.
E. S. R. Geffs
Susan Woolsey

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-118
FISK UNIV.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-786
FISK UNIV.

Bill of content -

1	Pc Blue India Baft	2,22
1	" Satin Stripe.	1,68
1	Double Red Wool cap	,20
1	" " Worsted "	20
1	Hdkf. Cotton. Print.	,10
1	Strip Manchester Blue Baft	5
5	Strips of Satin Stripe to show Stamps. & 1 Strip of White Baft	
1	Strip of White unbleached Cotton	= ,10
2	Hair Shirts. Shirts =	1,80

Specimens. of what goods are desired in this market to buy our provisions, and pay Expenses —

T. G. Cole

Add Country Clothes $1,00
1 " Shirt ,60

Invoice of
Samples. Sent from
Merelli Mijnów
1855.

Will you please certify to Lewis Lippman Esq. that I have drawn & shall put into the hands of Mr John Ennis a set of Exchange for one hundred pounds Stg. at thirty days sight in Newyork, payable to his i.e. J. E.'s order — our fund is low that there is not enough to pay laborers, drawing & Thompson & Miss Worley living on it too. This is why I have taken the liberty to draw without leaving any written permit or advice in regard thereto from head-quarters of the A. M. A.; date of set of Exchange is 18th Sept. 1855

The above may answer as letter of instruction to the treasurer of A. M. A. concerning the set of Exchange

Most truly yours &c.

T. E. Cabe

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7187
FISK UNIV.

I have suffered very severely from a cold, prostrating me for a week & more — T. E. C.

Rev. G. Whipple. My Dear Sir, instead of a P.S. I add a short note. I have just been to Mr Merrill's & can find you the size of the house on the ground. It stands 34 ft. by 59 ft. intended to be 35 or 36 by 60. I had supposed Br Thompson was absent in Fairfield & I could not learn if they were to have a quadrangular roof, or roof & gables: Eaves project about 18 inches: allowance should be made for waste, and also for lap of shingle, as they will not probably lay over 4 inches to the weather. There has been 16 pillars to the piazza — 6 in front, 6 in the rear, & 2 between at each end. The height is about 9 ft. I think forgot to measure; at least 8 to 9 ft. — you can judge if it shall need as many, or more of iron, as of brick — Br Hickinson is comfortable when quiet — Br Brooks writes that his wife is often troubled with attacks of ague & fever — Others here are pretty well —

We are deputed to request you to send one set of Kitto's Daily Bible Reading — also one Webster's quarto. (Unabridged) Dictionary — These are for Mr R. Rathbun —

Table

of Musicians to Arrival annual Expense of Mission

Ending Sept 1	Single Men & Women	Married Couples	Each		Aggregate of actual salaries		Aggregate expense		Average expense
1848	3	—	250	00	750	00	6.278	94	
1849	2	—	250	00	500	00	2.965	92	
1850	4	—	250	00	1000	00	2.837	07	
1851	8	—	250	00	2000	00	8.644	11	
1852	6	—	250	00	1500	00	3.951	89	
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1853	9	—	250		2250	00	14.470	32	
	—	3	500	00	1500	00			
1854	9	—	250	00	2250	00	5.144	45	
	—	3	500	00	1500	00			
							$44.292	70	$6.327.67
	48 Musicians		average Expense 7.				~~10.873 02~~		
1855	6	—	250	—	1500	00	10.873	02	
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N.A.A.M. ARCHIVES
No. FI-1188
FISK UNIV.

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Miscellaneous to Africa

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Sherbro Island
West Africa.

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Sch called the Marquis of Breadalbane

L. Payne is Master, now lying in the Port of

, and bound for ~~Sherbro Island, in~~ West Coast of Africa To say:

Oil 2 dry casks, 44 half bbls flour, 44 half bbls

ark, 4 Kegs provisions, 14 Kegs paint, 13 boxes dry

ox hundry shoes, bottles, cutlery & clothing, 2 boxes clothing

clothing & crackers: 1 box glassed caps, 2 boxes books

y glasses 2 boxes medicines, 2 boxes hardware, 1 B. of

saw, 1 box paints, 11 bundle windsor seats, 1 Can Alcohol

and numbered as in the margin; and are to be delivered in the like good order and

~~aforesaid~~ Port of Sierra Leone or at the Sherbro

the seas only excepted,) unto D. W. Burton or ~~&c~~

assigns, he or they paying freight for the said ~~goods, when landed~~

~~(Freight free in Africa)~~ two Dollars

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s whereof, the Master or Purser of the said vessel hath affirmed to three Bills

this tenor and date; one of which being accomplished, the others to stand void.

EW-YORK, the day of 185

Bill of Lading
Marquis of Brendalbane

Ins.

York Island Sierra
April 20th 1855.

Mendi Mission W. Burton Esqr
Good Hope.

Dr

To York Island Factory R. Isaac
in charge of Trust Store. —

1855. July 1st	To sundries delivered W.B.	£ 13	7	2
" 24	" 4 yds Bissau Web @ 2/		8	
March 10	" sundries delivd Doctor Coli	9	12	6
		£ 23	7	8

R. Isaac
York Island.

Per Contra

By order on Jno Izzidio Esqr
of Freetown for Amount of £ 23. 7. 8.

Settled -

W. B. Miller

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7190
FISK UNIV.

378, George St. Free Town, Sierra Leone 18

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES NO. FI-719 FISK U.

Bought of John Ezzidio,

DRAPERY, CLOTHING BOOTS & SHOES

St. George's Church.

HABERDASHERY.

Stationery, Hardware, Earthenware, Wines, Provisions &c.

GENERAL MERCHANT.

1855								
Apl	7	To Cash paid William Bennett as per order due on the 1st		5				
	9	do paid Mrs Dougan as per order dated 30th March 1855 J. Hope	2					
	25	do paid Mrs Chamber due on 22d		5				
	28	do paid Mrs Thomas for service as per order dated 18th April	3	16	10			
		do paid her for James During do	2			8	6	10
May	5	do paid William Bennet due 1st		5				
	10	do paid Mrs James John as per order dated April 28th 1855	2	6	9			
		do paid Mr James John do	6		½			
	11	do paid Rev James Beale on Acc of Rev J. C. Taffe		18	6	9	10	3½
		Carried Over			£	17	17	1½

1855		To Amt Brot Over					17	17	1½
May	12	1 pair Ladies Scissors			2				
		1 do do Shoes			5				
		1½ yd Black Velvet				5			
		4 yds Gimp				8			
		Cash paid Mr J. H. Thomas for mending Spectacles, blacking Watch and fixing Chain			1	16	6	2	4 7
	15	1 Bale India Blue Bafts 80 pcs @ 9/3		37					
		1 do do 60 " 9/3		27	15				
		1 do 2 Blue Satin Stripe 70 " 7/		24	10				
		40 doz Dlo Scarlet Caps 10/		20					
		4 Jars Butter 14 lbs Ea: 56 1/9		4	18				
		Cash paid for ½ doz Water Pitchers			12	6			
		1 dozen Soup plates			5				
		1 dozen dinner do			5				
		1 dozen Cheese do			2	6			
		8 White Chamber Pots 1/3			10		115	18	
		20 lbs Ginger 3d			5				
		1 Canister Arrowroot 40 lbs 3d			10				
		Cash paid for 1 Barrel Coal Tar		1	10				
		1 lb White Cotton Ball			2	1			
		Cash paid for 2 lbs Cold do 2/1			4	2			
		do do 8 Gross Buttons 1/6			12				
		2 Gross Shell Pearls 2/6			5				
		4 do 4½ doz Table Iron Spoons 2/		2	12	"	6		3
		forward		£			141	19	11½

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1855		To Amt. Brot forward				£41	19	11½
May	15	2 Gross Box Screws 3/8 4/8 7/8 7/16 inch		19				
		40 lbs American 6d. Nails @ 5d		16	8			
		20 lbs do 10d do "		8	4			
		20 lbs Wrought 6 do 6d		10				
		10 lbs 4 inch Spikes "		5				
		½ doz Ladies Side Combs 2/		12				
		Cash paid for 1 Puncheon 110 gallons Nut Oil 2/	3 11					
		½ doz Hanging Lamps 2/6		15				
		2 pairs T hinges 23 lbs 6		11	6			
		Cash paid for 1 Bl. Roman Cement	1	5				
JE 14		2 Boxes Candles 25 lbs box 50 1/6	3	15				
pp. 101		1 doz Tea Cups & Saucers		6	6	21	4	
		Over —			£	163	3	11½

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1855		To Amt. Brot. Over				163	3 11½
May	21	Cash paid Mr Geo ~~Porter~~ Roster as per order dated April 23rd	23	7	8		
		do paid labourers for assisting canoemen to load			6		
	26	do paid Mr Chamber due 22d		5			
	28	do paid boat hireling on arrival of Dr Cole for Mess Eggidio W. J. Shirley & Dr Cole		1	3	23	14 5
	29	do paid Isaac Vincent as per order dated May 2nd	10				
		do Thomas Roberts do	9	13	9		
		do Advanced Susannah Chamber as per April 18	1				
		do paid for 50 yams		8	4		
	30	do paid Mr C. Taylor for 3 dz Pit saw files 24/ 1 dz Bills 24/	2	8			
		do paid Customs Duty on 1 Accordian No. 1. 2 Warfage on do 0. 1 3		2	5		
	31	do paid Mrs Sells as per order of Dr Cole		13	6	24	6
June	1	do paid labourers for conveying 1 Puncheon Nut Oil			6		
	2	do paid William Bennett		5			
		do paid boat hireling for landing the Pun Nut Oil		1		6	6
		forward		£	211	10	10½

1855		To Amt Brot forward				211	10	10½
June	2	" Cash paid for Can Hook for hoisting Pim-hut Oil			1½			
		do paid Cooper for making 2 Baths		1	10			
	4	2 Tooth Brushes @ 1/3		2	6			
		1 Shaving do		2	6			
	5	Cash paid labourers for conveying 1½ Bls to Warehouse			3			
		do paid Thomas Brown as per Order dated 31st May	13	10				
	"	do paid Mrs Locke as per Order		10				
		do paid for 1 Country Pot		5				
		do paid for hinges		13				
		do paid Mrs Hannah Will as per your order dated this day	5	6	6	21	10	8½
	8	do to Dr J. G. Cole	1					
	11	do paid Mrs Locke as per order	1	5				
		do paid Mr Jos. Wilson as per Order dated Good Hope 31st May	7	13	9			
		35 pcs 3 inch Unbleached Cotton 7/6	13	2	6			
		Cash paid Rent in Warehouse on 1½ Bl Bonded		1				
		do paid labourers for conveying ditto to Way			3			
		do paid for Luggage Conveyed		1	6			
	12	do per personal Order of Dr Cole	3			26	4	
		Over		£		259	5	7

1855		To Am. Bros Over				259	5	7	
June	12	" Cash paid Oldfield & Co for 70 gallons Oil for personal order of Dr Cole as per Bill rendered dated 11th June	16	7	6				
"	13	Cash pd for 4 lbs Oakum 6d do 4 lbs Pitch 2/4		3	2				
		1 lb Nail 6d 1 lb Spike 6d		1					
		do paid Blksmith for making 12 pairs Hinges		12					
		do Jos Jarrott for 5½ lbs Sole Leather		11					
		do Lewis Nicol for 1 Bushel Rice		5					
		do Rich Robinson for 5 Row Locks	1	1					
		do for 1 Barrel Flour 18$	3	15		22	15	8	
		1 pc Blue Union Serge 48 yds @	4	16					
		1 pair Water Coolers		12					
[E] F 367		1 Bale 2 Blue Satin Stripe 70 7/	24	10					
		1 Whole Spun Shawl		7	6				
		10 lbs Rosin 6d		5					
		Cash pd for 2 gross Screws Ba 1 3/4 3/4 1½		7					
WM. B $200		do W. H. Gooch for 10 doz Matches 7/6	3	15					
		Cash to Dr J. G. Cole	10						
		1 Lon Iron Pots (39) @ 22/6	22	10		67	2	6	
		Cash pd labourers for assisting Canoemen to Load						9	
	15	do paid Blksmith for making 1 Grudging Iron		1	6				
		do to Dr Cole per personal order	1			1	1	6	
						350	6		
		Balance favour of Mendi Mission				117	5	11½	
					£	467	11	11½	
								Errs. E	

1855				
	Cr			
March 31	By Balance of Acc rendered	104	3	9½
Apl. 24	" Cash Received from Rev G. H. Decker on account of the Note of hand of £28. 9. 10½	11	12	2½
May 10	" 1 Set American Missionary Bill No 2 dated 10th May 1855 at 4 Months Sight in my favour by Rev Jeffs on Brown, Shipley & Co Liverpool	100	.	.
June 9	" 1 Set do dated June 9th 1855 at 4 Months Sights in my favour by John S. Brooks on Brown Shipley & Co Liverpool	250		
	" Cash received from Dr James Dacey on account of Rev J. Wright for 1 Accordian	1	15	5½
	" Error boat hireling of Dr Egidio May 28th		6	467 11 11½
	By Balance due Dr. Dr.	117	5	4½ 467 11 11½

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By Balance Brot Over £117 . 5 . 11½

Allowance on 1 White Spun Shawl " " 6

£117 . 6 . 5½

Approved Oct 4

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1855							
June	16	To 2 Candle Shades	@ 10/	1	"	"	
"	27	Cash paid labourers for conveying 20 pkgs to Warehouse on G. H. Jones's		"	2	1	
"	30	Ditto paid Ditto for 2 pkgs		"	"	2	
July	3	Ditto paid William Bennett		"	5	"	
"	5	1 Box 25 lbs Candles	@ 6	1	17	6	
"	"	Cash paid labourers for conveying ½ Barrel Beef to Warehouse		"	"	1	
"	10	Cash paid Jos Macaulay for 3 orders accepted of him 19. 6. 4½. 10. 2. 6½. 471 — dated Good Hope July 5th 1855		33	16	"	
"	"	Ditto paid William Bennett as per order dated Good Hope July 3rd/55		33	11	2½	
"	11	Ditto paid John Brown as per order dated the 11th Instant		"	8	4	
"	"	1 Worsted Shawl		"	5	"	
"	"	1 Jar Butter 14 lbs	@ 1/9	1	4	6	
"	"	Cash paid W. H. Lynch for 1 Box Pickled herrings		"	3	"	
"	"	Ditto paid Ditto for 1 Jack plane		"	5	"	
"	"	Ditto paid Peter Nicol for 1 adze lb 2		"	3	"	
"	13	Ditto paid for 1 doz Paint Brushes		"	5	"	
"	"	Ditto paid labourers for assisting Canoe men to load		"	"	2	
"	"	1 Blue Baize Shirt		"	3	6	
"	"	1 lb Tobacco		"	1	1	
				£	13	10	7½
		Amount Carried Forward		£	13	10	7½

1855		To Amount Bro't Forward				73	10 7½
July	13	" Cash to Canoemen	"	2	10		
		" 2 pipes " Ditto	"	"	1		
"	14	" Cash paid James Harris as per order dated Good Hope 17th July	4	16	5½		
"	"	" Ditto paid Ditto for Jas Moses Ditto	5	1	3		
Aug	2	" Ditto paid William Bennett	"	5	"		
"	3	" Ditto paid labourers for conveying down to Wharf 25 pkgs for Sherbro in the Canoe "Ann"	"	2	6		
"	"	" Ditto paid Warehouse rent for the 23 pkgs bonded in G. H. Townsend	1	19	4		
"	"	" Ditto advanced Mr Jno Davis sawyer as per order of Dr Cole dated 23 July	2	10	"		
"	8	" Cash by Mr D. W Burton	1	10	"		
"	"	" Ditto paid Mr William Chambers Sawyer as per order dated Aug 2	7	10	"		
"	"	Ditto paid him for Jas During Ditto	2	"	"		
		Ditto paid Mr W. H. Pratt for 2 pairs Slippers	"	10	"	26	7 5½
"	9	Ditto paid for 1 Cheese 7½ lbs @ 1/6	"	11	3		
"	"	1 packet envelopes	"	1	"		
"	"	8 yards Narrow Blue Ribbon 3d	"	2	"		
"	"	3 Skeins coloured Silk thread 1½	"	"	4½		
"	"	3 Jars Fine Butter 14 lbs @ 42 1/9	3	13	6		
"	"	1 Canister Arrowroot 33¾ lbs 3d	"	8	5¼		
"	"	Cash paid for 1 Barrel Coal Tar	1	10	"		
"	"	Ditto paid for 1 quarter Cask Pork	1	14	6		
"	"	Ditto by Mr D. W Burton	"	10	"		
"	15	Ditto paid postage on 3 letters to England per Ethiope as per order dated July 23 1855	"	2	"		
"	16	Ditto paid Mr William Mehuen as per order dated April 25th 1855	3	13	6		
"	25	Ditto by " Rev George Thompson	1	"	"		
		Ditto paid labourers for conveying Miss Worley in a Palanquin to Miss Summer's premises	"	"	10	13	10 4¾
		Amt Bro't Forward				£113	8 5¾

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1855		To Amount Brought Forward				113	8	5¾
Aug	25	" Cash paid labourers for conveying Mr Thompson's Boxes	"	"	6			
"	27	" Ditto by Mr Thompson for buying 2 Whip Saw	1	14	10½			
"	"	" 6 Legs Hams Weighing 58 lbs @ 1/4	3	17	4			
"	28	" Cash paid Messrs Pyatt & Hair as per order dated 28th August	6	18	8			
"	"	" 1 piece Blue Union Serge 48 @ 2/-	4	16	"			
"	"	" 1 Empty Bag	"	1	"			
"	29	" Cash paid Mr John's Father in Law as per order dated 29th Aug	"	10	"	17	18	4½
Sept	1	" Ditto paid William Macaulay as per order	1	5	7			
"	"	" Ditto paid William Bennitto	"	5	"			
"	10	" Ditto by Rev George Thompson	1	"	"			
"	12	" Ditto paid for plants as per letter of Rev Brooks dated July 26th	"	1	6			
"	18	Ditto paid postage for newspapers arrived from England per Gambia	"	"	10			
"	22	1 yard Jaconet Muslin	"	1	6			
"	24	6 pieces 9/8 Fancy Prints @ 12/6	3	15	"			
"	"	6 dozen Iron Pad Locks @ 2/-	"	12	"			
"	"	Cash paid for 1 dozen Scissors	"	6	"			
"	"	1 20d Gimlets	"	"	9			
		11 Small Ditto	"	5	1½	7	13	2½
		Amt. Carried Forward			£	139	"	5½

1855		To Am't Brought forward				139	" " 3/4
Sep	24	Cash paid for 1 pair Shoes	"	8	4		
"	"	1 Tin 2 lbs Turnips @ 1/3	"	2	6		
"	"	1 " 2 " Mutton @ 1/9	"	3	6		
"	"	1 " " Green Peas	"	2	6		
"	"	Cash paid Mr F. Davis for 2 Bonnetts	"	9	"		
"	"	Ditto paid for 1 Accordian	"	15	"		
"	25	Ditto paid Capt Sumner for 4 Week board of Rev Thompson Miss Wooley & Girl	7	10	"		
"	"	Ditto paid Ditto for Washing as per order dated 24th inst	"	10	"		
"	"	Ditto paid Mr Thomas A. Peters for passage of Rev Thompson, Miss Wooley & Girl to Sherbro	"	15	"	5	10 15 10
Oct	5	Ditto paid labourers for conveying 48 packages to Warehouse in Falmouth	"	4	6		
"	6	Ditto paid William Bennett as per order due on the 1st instant	"	5	"		
"	"	Ditto paid labourers for conveying 8 packages to Warehouse in Falmouth	"	"	8		
"	13	Ditto paid W. H. Pratt for 2 pcs Check Muslin	1	10	"		
"	"	20 lbs Coffee @ 18	"	16	8		
"	"	1 Barrel Brown Sugar 205 lbs @ 5	4	5	5		
"	"	Cash paid Capt John Johnson for passage of Mr & Mrs Cole & Misses Brooks & Hodinger from Sherbro	3	6	8		
"	"	Ditto paid Wharfage on the goods in Falmouth 4 Tons @ 5/	1	"	"		
"	"	Ditto paid Warehouse rent on the 57 packages in Falmouth	2	5	1		
"	"	Ditto paid Thomas Bennett as per order dated Oct 3rd 1855	9	15	10		
"	"	Ditto paid Ditto as per order dated 10th Sept	26	10	"		
"	"	Ditto paid labourers for conveying down to the Wharf 57 pkgs to be shipped in the Nancy for Sherbro	"	4	6	150	4 4
		Am't carried forward		£	200	"	2 3/4

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1835		To Amount Brot forward				200 . 2¾
Oct	11	. Cash paid Thomas Grant Ferry-man for conveying alongside the "Nancy" 57 packages for Shelbro		2	6	
.	.	1 Bottle Mustard	.	1	3	
.	.	2 Memorandum Books @ 1/-	.	2	.	
.	.	Cash paid for the use of sling for towing into the boat 57 pkgs	.	1	.	
.	12	Ditto paid for board as per order of D. Cole dated Oct 12th	1	.	.	
.	.	3 pairs Coloured Merino gloves 1/6	.	4	6	
.	.	1 Brown Silk Parasol	.	8	.	
.	.	Cash paid Mr Thomas. A. Peters for passage of a boy & Lady to Shelbro	.	10	.	
.	.	Ditto paid Ditto for freight on 57 packages to Shelbro	2	10	.	£4 19 3
.	15	¼ Ream Note paper	.	1	3	
.	.	¼ . Ditto	.	2	6	
.	.	Cash paid Mr Thomas Cobb as per order dated October 15th 1835	.	13	9	
.	17	Ditto by D. Cole	.	4	6	
.	.	1 pc Gingham 4½ yds 4½ yds paid for board	1	10	.	
.	.	1 pair Black Lace Gloves	.	2	6	
.	18	Cash paid for 1 pair Lace	.	4	6	
.	19	Ditto paid for Washing as per order dated this day	.	4	.	
.	20	1 Blk Super Rochford Coat by D. Cole	2	5	.	
.	.	Cash paid Mr W. H. Lynch for 18 yards Flannel as per order of date	1	7	.	
.	.	Cash by Rev John S. Brooks	1	.	.	
.	22	10 yards Welsh Flannel @ 1/6	.	15	.	
		1 ℔ Candles	.	1	6	
		1 Blk Cloth Trowsers	1	10	.	
		Cash paid postage on 8 newspapers	.	1	6	
	23	Cash per personal order of Mr Brooks	1	.	.	
		½ packet Ladies Visiting Cards 3/6	.	1	9	
						£11 4 9
		Amt. Carried forward				£216 4 2¾

1853	To Amount Brought forward				216	4	2¾
Oct 23	" Cash advanced Wm. Macaulay carpenter	2	"	"			
	" Ditto paid passage for ditto to Sherbro		7	6			
	" Ditto advanced Thos Robert Mason	1	5	"			
	" Ditto paid passage for ditto to Sherbro		7	6			
	" Ditto advanced Isaac Vincent Mason	1	10	"			
	" Ditto paid passage for ditto to Sherbro as per order of Rev Brooks dated this day		7	6			
24	" 1 Felt Hat 6/-						
	" 1 White Wash Brush 2/6						
	" ½ Pig Ham 5/6		15	"			
	Advanced Thos Robert Mason as per order of Rev Brooks dated this day						
	Ditto paid for Washing		4	"			
25th	" Cash by Rev Brooks for buying meat	1	"	"	1	7	12 6
	" Ditto paid for board for Rev Brooks as per order dated	3	"	"			
	" Ditto paid for 2 ydo canvass		3	"	1	3	3 "
27	" Ditto paid for Washing as per order dated the 27		2	"			
29	" Ditto paid for board for Mr & Mrs Cole as per order dated the 29th	2	8	9	1	2	10 9
					229	14	5 ¾
Oct 29	To Balance carried Down due Mendi Mission				23	5	" ¾
					£252	19	6½

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1855					
June	16	By Balance of Acc rendered	117	16	5½
"	29	" Amt of Goods shipped in the "Geo. H. Tormand" by the American Missionary Association from New York as per invoice dated 28 Apl 1855 Marked John Ezidio West Africa	22	"	3½
July	12	" 1 Puncheon Nut Oil (returned) 110 gals @	11	"	"
		Expenses Attending ditto	"	1	4½
Sep	1	" 1 Jar Butter 14 lbs not had—charged July 11th as per letter of Dr Cole dated 1855 @ 1/9	1	4	6
"	24	" 1 1st American Missionary Bill dated 13th Sep 1855 at 30 days sight drawn in my favour by Dr Cole On Lewis Tappan Esq Treasurer of the American Missionary Association 48 Beekman Street U.S.A	100	"	"
Oct	25th	By amount of Mr Fleckinger's passage charged on the 15th Instant	"	16	8
			"	"	"
			√ 252	19	6½
Oct	29	By Balance Brot Down	23	5	" ¾

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Samples of goods from
africa by Dr Cole
5 June 1856
and looked over
10 Nov '56 by Mr
Buxton & L. J.

Samples

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Rooms of the American Missionary Association.

48 Beekman-Street,

New-York 18.5

Price
Satin Stripe.
18 yds
cost 7/6
or
5d stg yd

"two blue - 29 inches wide - 15 to 18 yards
Printed on both sides. Fast Color. (They have been 3/4 to 7/8 and a yard to yard & a quarter wide, but the 29 in. sells the best.)
Cost in Africa averages 7/6 stg. of different qualities & lengths.
This sample sells for 10/ stg by the piece - or 3 yds for a bar - 3 times 20 is 60/100 a little over 7d stg. by the piece and 20 cts a yard by retail.
This article comes 70 to 80 lbs in a bale.
Sold by the Missionaries 4 bales annually.

5 various shades.
& about 3 are two blues & 2 light blues.
all same cost.
The different kinds sell about equally
Some begins and others have fancies.
all sell about alike
Equal proportion of cost.

Cott. Hdkfs.
Salmon color
33 inches
6/ doz
or 6d stg each

Sell 3 for a bar 20 cts each
makes 60/100.

They have them of all colors & they sell almost alike
Could sell 400 doz in a year.
Great article among the natives.

Blue Baft
dark blue
Not color
38 in wide

15 to 18 yds. per piece
very seldom held out over
17 1/4 yds
Cost on average 9/ stg
per 7/6 to 10/6.
Sell 3 yds for a bar, + 12/6
by piece.
60 to 100 lb in a bale
Have probably sold at least
400 lb in a year.

Small sample
Baft, lines &
lighter.
Cost about 7/6 to 8/ lb
15 to 18 yds.

Then are made in England
Not so soft as the Indian
Sell 4 yds for a bar cheaper ones
& the sample 3 yds for a bar
by piece 8/ to 12/6 stg.

Red Cedar
8/ to 10/
Rosanfles cost 10/
They average 9/
one then fine
heavy

Then sell two for a bar.
Then heavy sell about
alike
Some are black & white
narrow stripes, but not so
many as the red.

A.M.A. ARCHIVES
NO. 11195
FISK UNIV.

Kaw Mondi June 1/56

Geo Thompson Kaw Mondi June 1/56

Dear Mr Whipple. Last night we had an excellent watch meeting. It was truly inspiring. Particulars hereafter. I write to say that a new Dynasty has arisen, clothed with authority, & having the disposition, to pull down what I have labored & suffered for, so earnestly, for 7 years. & I feel that I cannot bear it. As I wrote Miss Tappan, If Kaw Mondi must fall. let me not see it. let me be away. that my ears be not tortured by the groans. & distress. When I came out first, you instructed us, to be very careful, in introducing any new changes, contrary to those the people had from Raymond, lest they should become prejudiced against us. It was prudent advice. I think so yet.

But to be ever instructed to remove this station! Almost wild, preposterous idea. If we can open new stations, I am as strong for it as any one, as you well know. but even since he came it has been remove, remove, remove. & I dare not stand in the way. I would cheerfully help to build up a new station. but if Africa is not large enough. & there are not open fields enough, & children plenty, without removing K. M. & this school. we better give it all up.

After I have worked here six years like a slave, to get things more decent, for the boys. have a good house. tables, benches. & then these are, for the first time, ready to begin to civilize our boys. as soon as all this is done.

& we are preparing to begin. To try & bring them into systematic habits — we are to be broken up & all this labor & expense, to go for nothing!! Too bad. Again there is a disposition to cut down the school while I wish to enlarge it — It should be enlarged if I stay — then there would be a clash which would not be good — &c &c In view of all, I concluded to be allowed to go home, to my family — & the privilege has been granted — & I shall stay in the way, with my laboring notions, no longer than I can get away. I am willing they should try their new plans — but I do not wish to stay to see the result. I expect, to hear of the church being nearly broken up, as it was, while I was home first time — of the school being scattered — & our most promising ones — lost to us, & the cause of much talk — & planning, & castle building, but little accomplished — as has been the case with members — instead of taking right hold, & working with a whole soul, to save the people.

Tell Wife, Dear Roberts, I expect to be home next Summer, or Spring — don't wish to come just now in the cold Winter — If I can I wish to visit Liberia this Dry Season, the nearest time home in the warm weather — I shall go to Town, as soon as I can get away — & there be led by circumstances.

I receive 6 members next Sabbath — Miss Mc D. is well yet — the rest comfortable —

The Lord bless you — Pray for me

Yours &c

Geo Thompson

Tell my brothers, that my death is the result of my family — Break almost broke I am in leaving them — &c

There is but one white among the Brethren besides myself & family — & I am getting ready to leave, if God will

Iowa Mendi Jan 1/56

Dear Bro Whipple – As Bro Tefft willed his things to various friends – we have kept some few, thinkt you, either to perchase the same, or send to his friends as below, or send them the money, which we thought would fulfil the intent of the Will –

1 large, common Molar Forceps for upper & lower jaw (either) –
1 Ivy Root Forceps (to take out roots)
1 Gum Lancet –
1 small root awl – (to dig roots)
1 small Molar Forceps –

The Dental instruments are willed to his Bro Martin Tefft – The Will is in the hands of Solomon Warner, North White Creek – Washington Co NY –

Also Hullsh's Laurie, & Appendix

41 vol - (vol 1) "Horae Solitariae"
an old book, out of Print - which
I beg Mrs Tefft for worth
say $1,00. ——
The price of the ~~Dental~~ instruments
& Hall's Lancet. I know not -
suppose they can be easily
ascertained. ——
~~We also keep, for the Sabbath~~
~~Henry's Commentary, in~~
~~fact~~ - Mrs Tefft says she
will keep the Commentary
for herself - as she has the
privilege of choosing what
she desires ——

Yours &c
Geo Thompson

P.S. You need not inquire about
the books, Martin Tefft lives in
West Bulleny Vermont,

A. L. Tefft

Rev. Geo Thompson
Fancy Prairie, Ill.
Fancy Prairie, Jan 30
Rec'd N.Y. July 1, 1850

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FT-7194
FISK UNIV.

Kaw Mendi, Little Boom, Sherbro,
West Coast of Africa, Jan. 1. 1855

Rev. Geo. Whipple, cor. Sec. A. M. A.
48 Beekman Street, New York.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-195
FISK UNIV.

My dear Brother

Another year has flown away and we standing upon the first moments of a new cast a parting look upon the receding past. The first glance, to my eye, of the flying mass so far as my own labors are concerned, seems scattered and broken. Nearly the whole year hangs in fragments before me. My special charge has been Bonna Falls, but calls to Gallinas my associate's help & sickness has prevented the greater part of his one quarter at my post.

Br. Jeffs who was appointed in March to be associated with me, was compelled soon after entering his new field to retire & at length rest from his labors. How bright were our hopes, how surely we supposed we had laid our plans, How heartily we joined hands in labor. But how soon we were disappointed. Disease has done its cruel work & laid waste our pleasant fields of hope choice flowers.

My dear wife too with high hopes joined me in July. And I was permitted to see what I had so long desired, my little flock under the happy influence of a devoted and eminently pious female Missionary. Her influence was salutary. Our company of children, charmed with the new arrangements readily and quietly entered upon the duties of their new relations and acted with much credit to themselves their child-like part. Our household was happy and blest. Our prospects were bright & inviting. But how soon changed. The Lord has done what he would—

I have written so fully during the year, that it will be quite a waste of your time, to have me go over the whole years labors. Besides, if I was disposed to do so I could not do justice to such a review. Such have been the events of the year past, that the latter three months of it have rolled so heavily over me that nearly every thought of the past has been crushed and crowded from my mind and left so far in the distance that I can scarcely recall them.

There has as yet no discouraging circumstances connected with the field itself occurred. I have seen nothing yet to dampen our hopes. Yet it is a heathen field - dark degrading, cold field - and must necessarily be such untill the gospel becomes to this people the power of God unto Salvation. The very idea suggested to an intelligent mind by the terms, Missionary, and heathenism is a correct view of our field. Instead of a Mission field being nearer heaven than Christian lands as some suppose it lays on the other hand and borders on Eternal night itself.

Though foreign from the object of this letter, I will venture a thought suggested to my mind by this last remark. Some of our most devoted and harmless brethren seem to look upon the Missionary field as a place of great religious enjoyment. The work of a Missionary is blessed and glorious for its immediate fruits of peace & joy in the Holy Ghost. They look upon Missionary life and pine after it, that they may go heavenward beyond the grating, & soul disturbing scenes of Christian life, to do angels work, to ever sit, and tell the

sweet story of the cross. Uninteresting crowds, perishing, (thirsting) for lack of the bread of life, far in heathen lands. Their want of knowledge is supplied from their classes of revival meetings instead of from the dark pages of our lands early history, when Druids mocking, rejected Christ, and plunged the deadly knife, in new victims, taking the quivering heart of youth from the image of God, and holding it with pride and triumph to the deified Sun. They catch the glowing and truthful narrative of the Multitude seeking for Jesus, but never follow that scattered Multitude to their homes, they do not see human disappointment or pain into reproach and blasphemy. They watch, with deep interest, the revival at Jacob's well, while the story of Great is Diana is so faintly expressed that it soon slips from memory.

MAY ANNIE MILES
NO. _____
FISK UNIV.

No one is fit to come to this work that cannot live on faith and hope not seen — who cannot work when all is dark, and hopeless, trusting God's word, His natural promises. Because he has said go — go! Because he has said that the stone cut out of the mountain, shall fill the whole earth before that it will be so, though the stone remains a stone, we are not to rest our hopes on results, but on the promises. What if we do not see the heathen flock to the Church? What if converts do lack stability? What if our pupils do go back to heathen customs. Polygamy, slavery and idolatry? What if we have only one, two, or three that we say are true humble Christ Christ? What then? Just the same, and more than when we began. God's faithful promises & and one two or three evidences of it. Is this a little that we despise it, and be come discouraged? No, Hope on, hope ever!

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Are we to be so infidel in the matter of converting the world, that we must judge from the results of a few years experience, when in things of the world we regard man, so much divine, that we say man can do what he will to do.

Motive is everything. It either helps us to see to feel and wonder, or it fills our eyes with blindness, our hearts with coldness, and discouragement. If self be on the throne, and dictate. If happiness, pious pleasure position be the end, disappointment & confusion will follow. Follow here, as well as at home. Follow in all places where we can come in contact with the world. The true place for such is in a cave, as monkish cell, their field of labor self, their own hearts.

But let the Salvation of the world be the motive, the Glory of God the end of effort, Place Christ on the throne. Let him dictate, then how willing, how early how diligent one labors. Disappointment can never follow. So long as Christ says work on, Earthly can never be clouds that hope, for it is blind with confidence. Tempests can never shake that faith, though in a desert, for it rests safely sheltered by that Rock that hath stood a thousand storms. Such faith is like an iron will, so stubborn it will not bend to time. Like Sut teramon pts it has no eyes for its way, [illegible] dwelling in God it receives all its springs from him and curves by and for him.

A.M.A. ARCHIVES NO. FISK UNIV.

We must be in a great degree [illegible] to our wisdom and sight and wonderfully alive to God to labour contentedly here.

Our Church has nearly dissolved itself into a unite. Of the 5 original members but two remain connected with it. These two are James B. Barnett and myself. William Brooks Teacher has been guilty of fornication which he himself owns. Stephen Brooks Captain has been guilty of Adultery. Both seem penitent and humble and I hope they will still save their souls but my experience with such cases leads me to doubt. David Willson has been dismissed for Adultery. His case is quite hopeless. Besides these we have had one Joseph T. Macarthy on trial he has been dismissed for the same crime. Judeth Thomas from Kau Mendi Church has been associated with us. She has also proved herself to be a vile one. Mr. Barnett our Carpenter from St. M.C. has been guilty of drunkenness. An unusual thing for him. He once fractured fell. He is now penitent and has been restored. We have now in our Communion Jonah T. Cyprian Mr. & Mrs. Pitt and James Barnett. I fear that the first of these will soon be found unworthy of Christian fellowship. I feel sad to think of such an event for I have had much confidence in him.

Our Meetings are as well attended as could be expected & interesting as a congregation of heathen can be without any special work of grace among them. At Mo Tappan the meetings are quite interesting. We have a few Colonists professing Religion meeting with us which adds to the interests.

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Our Schools are our gems of hope. We have schools at Sumbwa Mo Gbongo and Mo Fogi besides the schools at Mo Tappan. Some of the children at the out Schools can read quite well in the Testament. The Sumbwa School numbers 18 At Gbongo 21 Mo Fogi 8 or 9. I feel a deep interest in these out door plants, I hope for some good men from them.

Our building remains unfinished, we have not materials by us. Lumber is hard to be had, besides I have been away so much that I cannot press forward the work.

We have just managed to keep open the place by farming but have done but little in this part of our work. All the people among us have had farms, and the boys in school have done well in their small attempts to farming.

As to the matter of expenses I am not able to report first because I have not the books with me, second I have had no heart to look at accounts for the last three months. You will learn the actual expence of the General Store by Br. Burton's acct of disbursements. I hope I shall have strength of body and mind to meet the duties of the station I occupy better than I have done for the past 6 months.

It seems to me at times as if I never could again attempt the charge of a station. Often my mind becomes bewildered under the load of sad and heavy thoughts which crowd upon me, so that I am much of the time unfit for labor. I have labored and do still labor with prayer and strong desires to be free from depressing thoughts and become hopefull and cheerful. I refer to this fact hoping you will excuse my negligence.

I am as I hope ever to remain
faithful yours for the heathen

John C. Brooks

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M. A. ARCHIVES NO. FISK UNIV.

Rev. J. C. Brooks
Jan. 1, 1856

Letters rec'd from Apice.
Jan'y 7. 1856. ~~[illegible]~~ rec'd by G. W.
Jan'y 8. evening. forwarded as read
Jan'y 9. 1856.
for S. B. Jagger. Danville Iowa
Mrs E. Flickinger (Kenmile) Ohio
Charles Avery Pittsburgh Pa
Jos. Simpson Norfolk. Va
Mrs Olivia Whitehead.
Mrs E. Smith Columbia Centre. C.
Lamoille — Ill
Rev. F. Barcom Galesburgh — Ill.
Lewis Tappan (two).
G. Whipple from D. W. Burton no date.
" J. A. Brooks. Oct 31. 1855
" D. J. Lee Nov 20th & 21st
" S. G. McKeton Nov 21st. 1855.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7197
FISK UNIV.

African Letters.
Rec'd Jan. 4 1866.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7198
FISK UNIV.

Freetown, Sierra Leone, Jan. 8. 1856

My Dear Sir.

I have been instructed by Mr. Boston to purchase a quantity of lumber and ship the same for the Sherboro. In accordance therewith I have taken 7846 feet of inch pine lumber of Chy. Hedlle Esq - and shipped the same yesterday. To day I have given Mr. H— a set of Bills on you of 30 days for the value of the lumber and shipment charges together with freight to the Sherboro.

The package of letters just sent on board of an American vessel direct for New York give the latest accounts of our Mission & I will attempt nothing in the way of intelligence.

I fear that a large package of letters left here in an American vessel via France a few days since. I hope you will get them

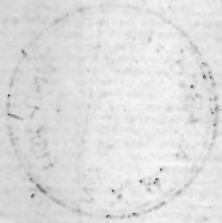
My health is much improved and I hope to stay much longer than I have been expecting to for some months back.

Our Mr. Brown is reported to be a confirmed drunkard! Yours affy John L. Boston

~ G. S. Brooks
Africa
Jan. 8/56

1. Has bot lumber & given drafts.
(Has drawn for the amount.
(Dont say for how much!)
and him to pay particulars always
2. Perhaps letters sent to
France!
3. Health much improved
4. Brown said to be a
drunkard.

Read in Conn



A.M.A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7198
FISK UNIV.

Kau-Mendi W. A. Jan. 12th 1856

To the Executive Committee
of the A. M. A.
New York

Dear Brethren — We wrote to you some weeks ago giving you a statement of Miss Mc Intosh's case, and of our intention to send her home the first opportunity. We have just learned the the package of letters containing that one, has gone by the way of France, and may not reach you for some months, hence we write again and send the letter by mail.

Had Bro. Tohipple been at New York when we sailed, I should have expressed myself more fully than I felt authorized to do under the circumstances, in reference to Miss Mc mental capacity; what I did say however will prepare Bro. Bellden for the statements contained here. Early in our voyage, we were led to remark upon the strange conduct of our companion, her apparent want of forethought on many actions, and inability to reason upon their consequences; these actions produced nearly all the sufferings we endured from the captain, yet she could not be brought to see it. We found that we were not to have a friend in him, nor to be allowed any privileges of a religious character, we consequently maintain a dignified christain course, determining that he should respect us if he did not befriend us; She expressed every

confidence in our judgement and manifested no desire to do us injury, yet would immediately repeat the objectionable act. She done nothing sinful nor any thing that would lead us to doubt her christain integrity. though her actions soon convinced us that there was a mental derangement, from her narrations we learned that she had suffered from from that cause for a length of time. We do not mean to say that she told us she was insane, for she was apparently unconscious of the strangeness of her conversation and conduct.

While at Freetown, the family (Capt. Sumners) with whom we boarded was led to express the same opinion i.e. that she was not sane, from the strangeness of her actions, and her silly talk. She told us on the voyage that she had suffered with spasms of the heart several times, and that Pres. Blanchard, Mr. Bascom and all her friends advised her not to come to Africa; there was none who knew her about Galesburg who thought it prudent for her to come atall; that she had not slept alone for near two years, and was afraid to, on account of her liability to those attacks. We urged her to let us give her a course of medical treatment, for her system appeared out of order the latter part of the voyage and during our stay in Freetown, but she utterly discarded the idea of her taking medicine.

We arrived at Kau-Mendi on the 3rd of Dec. and she was taken down with chills on the 5th, she would let us do nothing for her until the 7th, we then gave her such treatment that cured her of the form of disease with which she was attack, in one week; she was at times delirious, but was not a difficult patient to treat.

She was threatened with spasmodic attacks several times but had none until we thought she was getting well, when during one night Mrs. Tefft waked from sleep and found her in a rigid, insensible state, writhing in agony; it was with great difficulty that she was aroused, but her mind still wandered, next morning she had another, which she did not recover from for four five days. Not having previous any mental stamina, she is left without sufficient judgement to fill the least responsible position, she has to be constantly watched and is a source of disquet and care to all of us. She has so far recovered her physical strength as to be about the house, and would perhaps enjoy good health in this climate, were she not so imbecile in intellect? We have no doubt that all this will be laid to this climate, we however unhesitatingly pronounce it untrue, the climate has nothing to do with it She has overwrought her mental capacity, and never having the natural qualifications to occupy a responsible position, we think that Mrs. Blanchard and Mr. Bascom very reprehensible for having allowed the Ex. committee to be imposed upon in this manner, if they were ignorant of the fact that she is liable and has been for some years, to be taken off at any time, by a spasmodic contraction of the valves of the heart induced by a general derangement of the circulation; they are guilty for being ignorant. Her body is partially covered with varicose veins and she will probably

recover her intellect. She has a mania for a missionary life and will not consent to come home with Mr. Thompson who will probably sail in two months. We think it best to send her with him, as it would be an oppressive burden to take care of her, accordingly we will make every reasonable effort to get her off. She says she will wait for a formal recall from the Committee. In case she does not come with Mr. Thompson, you can if you deem proper send such a recall at as early a date as possiable, in order that she may get home before next autumn.

Many other matters respecting the mission I have written to you about, but the letters have gone a circuitous route and I will endeavor to have a full statement of matters and things in general, ready to send with Mr. T.

We are all enjoying very good health and remain ever your

Servants in Christ

David J. Lee M. D.

M. C. Lee M. D.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

We can but regret that Miss McIntosh came for we consider her incompetent to fill any department of Missionary labor in this field. We have been trying her at superintending the girls sewing one or 2 hours per day but find that she cannot manage them in a way to benefit them. With best wishes H. More

R. L. Jeffs

D. J. Lee Nov. 2
Rec'd Lee "Jan 12, 1856

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. EI-7199
FISK UNIV.

Kaw Mendi Jan 12th 1856

Dear Tappan,

Kind friend,

I am agreeably disappointed with Africa, The climate is quite different from any discription I ever had of it, The natives are much more comely and prepossessing than I had any idea of; and I am fully persuaded that Missionaries in order to labor successfully here, should have strong logical minds trained in early life in all the useful accomplishments necessary in civilized society; and should you succeed in obtaining but few of this caste, more permanent good will be accomplished, than by a score of those that are rude and ignorant, or such as have a few of the flourishes of fashionable life built upon an unstable and immoral foundation. This Mission has suffered peculiarly from the last mentioned characters; You probaly think as I did previous to coming here, that none but the Good and pure in intention would offer themselves as Missionaries to a "land where the seeds of death are scattered with an unsparing hand" but so great is the desire with such for worldly fame that they never think of the labor and responsibility connected with missionary life, consequently never assume them, ~~but~~ hence a double portion fall upon the worthy and we are surprised that any of those who have borne the burthen and heat of the day, live to relate the narative.

The Climate though peculiar is not altogether unpleasant, I think that such as have a knowlede of the laws

of life, and observe them strictly, need not necessarily die there an untimely death, we believe with judgment and management that we can live quite as comfortable as in America. Kaw-Mendi is an unhealthy location and it is our purpose to leave it in the hands of native teachers and open a station higher up in the Country, where it will be more healthy and give us access to a larger No of people, we are cooperating with Miss Moore and Mrs Tefft both of whom have received with joy our system of Medicine, I love them and consider it a privilege to labor with them, Mrs Tefft and Mr Brooks have taken several courses of Medicine and their health is much improved thereby, we have our hands and often our hearts full, Mr Green the native Teacher that married Sarah Margru was dismissed this morning from the employ of the Mission for adultery and drunkenness, Mr Thompson will leave soon for home, and as Miss McIntosh is unfit to labor we shall be reduced to a small No, but thanks be to our heavenly father we are one; there is no schisms among us, and we trust to live to accomplish good,

Our little boy has passed safely through the "acclimating fever" and is quite well and fat, The Ms nor myself have not been sick yet, Mr Burtons health is precarious and he talks of going home in the Spring if he does not get better; we believe that there is no necessity for his leaving on that account, as we could relieve him, but his prejudice in favor of quinine and Calomel is so deeply grounded that we dare not offer our services, but

should he remain and call on us for medical aid we are ready to administer to him,
All poisonous remedial agents have a worse and more speedy deleterious effect upon the system in warm and relaxing climates, The body being more or less always in a relaxed condition they are readily disseminated through the system and it either sinks under it immediately, or it remains a wreck to be stranded by the next billow, Quinine is not virtually a poison and we have used it in America occasionally to good advantage; but thus far have not used a grain here, though we have had a No of cases of intermittent and one of Typhoid fever, nor do we think we shall have any use for it, for upon the same principle that bad remedies require but a short time to sow the seeds of death, sanative ditto build up the system speedily where there is vitality enough to cooperate with them, Those who wish to enjoy health here, should keep pace with the temperature of the climate and not tone themselves above it, consequently we have adopted the warm bath, having suffered enough to warn us to phylosophize the subject from taking several cold baths on our first arrival, I handed over the package and letter you gave me to Miss Moore, William Jackson's Grand Ma had taken him clandestinely from the Mission a short time previous to our arrival, He has not returned and probaly will not, Miss Moore purposes giving the name to another as soon she can select one, Sarah Davis is rather a comely looking little girl 8 years of age, her intellectual capacity

medium; her mother has given her to Miss Moore till she becomes of age and is willing that she should take her to America if she wishes. Miss Moore, Mrs Tefft and myself wear short dresses and pantys; we find them much more pleasant to teach, practice medicine and walk in. Bro Thompson, Brooks and the Dr approve highly of it, hence we meet with no opposition; My outfit is quite complete an suitable with the exception of woollen hose and a sewing bird. My cotton hose are of no use to me, I do not wear them at all and they are too small for any of the ladies. Please send me half down pair of white Marino stockings the first opportunity, and oblige your sister in Christ

Martha C Lee

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

P S My best respects to Mr Tappan and the friends. Mrs Tefft love to you,

M. C. Lee

15th – Bro Thompson, This morning resigns the superintendance of affairs into the Drs charge & leaves for Liberia. He expects to return in yoe 6 weeks, then he will proceed to America, Mr Brooks & the Dr go to-day to Mokelly to make arrangements to procure bela, if they succeed we shall move this Station there as soon as possible; if not we will give it up to Father Johnson our interpreter & Mr Decker our native teacher, arranging so, that one of us may visit them occasionally and assist to keep all regulated, If Mr Burton does not leave we probally shall go to Motappan till we can procure an other place, Farewell my friend may we meet in heaven Yr C Lee

Mrs M. C. Lee – Africa Jan 12/50

Dr W. Burton
Africa
14 Jan. 1856
no 22 Apl.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7200
FISK UNIV.

Lewis Tappan Esq.
Treasurer of American Missionary Association,
48 Beekman Street New York.

Dear Sir.

Below, please find the report of disbursements from Mendi Mission General Store, for quarter ending December 31st 1855. Also report of expenditures at Good Hope Station for the same time.

	£ - s - d		£ - s - d
Good Hope Station Dr.	To 201-6-9	Less Cr.	22-0-0 = 179-6-9
Kaw Mendi "	" " 223-11-11½	"	" 15-4-8 = 208-7-3½
Kaw Falls "	" " 77-19-2½	"	" 1-10-0 = 76-9-2½
Bella "	" " 3-6-7	"	" 3-6-7
Expenses of General Store	18-19-1	"	" 18-19-1
	£ 525-23-6¾	"	" 38-14-8 = 486-8-10¾

Good Hope Station Expenses.

Amount paid Laborers	38-5-8
" " for " Food	9-11-5
" of Family Expenses	65-17-3½
" " Mechanics Pay & Food	31-17-6
" " Building Materials & Tools	75-9-3¾
" Expended by J. G. Cole M. D. & Wife in Fruitovoy	14-13-10
	£ 235-15-0½

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Yours truly D. W. Burton,

Good Hope January 14th 1856

Mr Jappan,

Dear Sir,

I have previous to this, noti=
=fied you, that on the 21st of December, I gave
Mr. John Egzidio bills of Exchange on you for the
sum of 100 pounds, at thirty days sight.
We are now all in cumfatable health.

Yours very truly — — D. W. Burton

Jan 14th 1858

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7201
FISK UNIV.

Mrs Charles Stanton
Plymouth, Ill
Jan 15 1856
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Plymouth Jan. 15, 1856.

Mr & Mrs Stanton
Missionary Rooms No 2

My dear Brother in Christ.

Your kind favor of Oct 27th was very gratefully received, and perused with much interest and satisfaction. I have been providentially hindered by the sickness of friends, and my own ill health, from returning an answer until now.

I have just recovered from an attack of Typhoid Fever. My general health seems to be better now, than it was previous to this last illness. My little son is also enjoying comfortable health.

Since learning of the painful events which have lately taken place at the Island Office, I begin to look with anxious interest for some notice of the arrival of Mr & Mrs Fee & Miss Macintosh at the Mission.

My dear Husband's letters came to me while lying upon a sick bed, and were perused with mingled emotions of joy and sadness. The recollect of your dear Sister Hicks departure, so early, from the finished field of labor, would inspire deep sorrow of heart did we not realize that it is our Heavenly Father's hand, and rest in the joyful assurance that "He doeth all things well." Brother Buxton's letters bearing later dates, bring also the unwelcome intelligence of the death of our much beloved & lamented brother Griffith. The vacancies caused at the Mission by the removal of this dear brother & sister, and also by the return of two of our Missionaries to America, will doubtless cause more anxious & pressing labor to rest upon those who may still remain.

Anna

My Husband writes that he can fix upon no future period of the time when I may expect and hope for his return — that he is living entirely without plan in reference to this matter — that the Author of Providence will not suffer him to return until I shall feel submissively willing to have him remain. This intelligence coming to me in a time of great weakness, was very trying to my spirit, and I know not yet on what principle I should feel willing to have him remain any longer, than till some one is found to supply his place. I wish & hope to do right — and it is my daily prayer that I may be strengthened to endure patiently.

My Husband suggests that I had better go to Boston — rent a small house — take social boarders in order to help myself — and that if he returns I should delight to go to Boston and carry out his suggestion. But is it best that I should have my home & family relations, in my present precarious state of health, to take up my residence among complete strangers while the probability of my husband's return is so doubtful? It seems to me that the care of providing — and the labor of preparing for social boarders daily — unpracticed as I am in such matters, would soon overtask my strength. I am inclined to think that teaching school would be less laborious for me — that it would better accord with my taste and qualifications — and would also be productive of greater good to others. Should my health continue to improve I hope to be able to commence teaching early in the Spring.

But since Mr Thompson's return is so doubtful I wish to make a proposition, or two, one of which I hope may meet the approbation of the Board. I have been expecting that my dear Husband's return would place me from this necessity. I am quite averse to leave my Father's home, & seek a home for myself & child elsewhere — for several reasons —

1st Because I feel unwilling to remain longer dependent upon my parents. For almost five years while my husband has labored in Office I have remained with my parents, and during most of this time I have been in a great measure supported by them. The first time he went thither I was left in feeble health with a little babe to look after and care for. I came home unwelcomed by my parents because I felt that I needed the comforting sympathy of my dear relatives & friends in my sickness. I remained at home two years and six months during which time my child was sickly and both of us were under the care of our family Physician a number of times. My Father paid all our bills and my dear Mother, already too much oppressed with her numerous invalids, acted both as Nurse & Housekeeper for us. During the last two years, myself & child have been a great tax & burden to our friends, and I feel unwilling that my Father should any longer feel constrained from force of circumstances & family pride to provide for me & my child, in our feebleness & dependance, while my husbands pecuniary resources are equally adequate. To my mind, this seems not only an imposition upon the kindness of my friends, but positive injustice, and I cannot rid myself of the conviction that while my husbands resources would afford a comfortable support for his invalid family, they have no right to cast themselves, uninvited, for so long a time, upon the care & providence of aged parents. This is one of my numerous reasons for wishing a home elsewhere.

2nd I believe that the highest welfare of my child demands a change.

3rd I believe that such a change would enable me to devise & carry out more plans for the good of others. Other reasons there are which I would not give in detail at this time — but hasten to close my subject.

My first proposition & request is — that the Co. Commissioners provided

he has the power) will furnish me with sufficient of my husbands funds to build me a small house. My Father has given me a Town lot for this purpose — I would like a small cottage house — about twenty feet square. The carpenters say — that to build such a house would cost about five or six hundred dollars. My request is, that the Com will allow me the use of that amount from my husbands funds, without interest, until his return. Should my husband think best, on his returning to give back the money with interest — he can do so by selling the house & lot as they will be increasing in value. Should the Ex Com approve this plan, also provide me Annually, the sum of one hundred & fifty dollars for myself & child. I shall feel myself relieved of much anxiety. My present plan is, Should my health continue to improve, to commence teaching in the Spring and continue through the Summer Season — renting my house meantime & reserving it as a winter resort for myself & child. This plan I propose that in case of sickness or other necessity I might be near my friends and receive their assistance & sympathy — In my last letter to my husband I apprised him of my plan and think they will meet his approbation as he has often requested me to act without his counsel or advice — My second proposition is That the Ex Com will provide me Annually with the sum of two hundred & fifty dollars. With this amount I may be able to provide myself a house by renting and also defray the expenses of moving from house to house or from place to place. But here there are difficulties in my way — the population of Plymouth is so fast increasing, that it is very difficult to find houses for rent and very small houses now rent for 60 & 70 dollars per Annum. Persons who rent are also under the necessity of changing their homes often & this would be very difficult for me in my feeble solitary State. Should the Ex Com permit me thus to build myself an house — any suggestions from Mr Jaspan or others relative to this matter would be gratefully received & duly appreciated. Should I agree with Mr Mr Grafton (one of our Plymouth carpenters and a cousin of mine by marriage) to build the house, for a stipulated sum (as I have been advised) I shall be laid under the necessity of furnishing him money before hand for purchasing lumber — & would request (should my plan meet approval) that Mr Jaspan will forward money immediately for that purpose. Should either of my propositions meet the approval of the Ex Com both my mind & conscience will be relieved — Pray for me my dear Father that I may have grace to wait patiently the will of our Heavenly Father — Remember me affectionately to Mrs Jaspan.

Your unworthy Missionary.

Martha C Thompson

Geo. Whipple

Good Hope. Jan 15/56 –

Dear Bro Whipple – I ordained on last Sabbath (Jan 13/56) after preaching, R D G Lee unto ordained to the work of the Gospel Ministry, by the Brethren, & myself – after the form, in part, of the Methodist Discipline – It was in presence of the congregation – rather a solemn scene –

I explained the nature, & necessity of the ceremony – This, of course, you will notice, in the Missionary – but what follows – I think you judgment will not make it [illegible] on Saturday Jan 17/56 Bro Brooks, Lee, [illegible] & the [illegible]

Geo. Whipple

A. M. A. ARCHIVES

went about 2 miles in
Banks' Boat - up the
little Creek north of old
T. & M. - & after reading the
scriptures & praying I baptized
Dr Lee, by immersion - as
he desired - not being
satisfied with his former
sprinkling - I insisted on
having it done private, from
the observation of all the natives
because I feared we could not
so explain it to them, why
then Mr Jennings should be
baptized, but that it would
prove a stumbling block
to them -

On the 1st Sabbath in
Jan I met 6 new
members to the Church
at Ters. Lifetty are
converted -

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I am here, on my way
to Liberia, in my Boat, by
Consent of the Brethren & Sisters
They thought it would be
well, instead of spending
a lecturing in America —
~~as they told me that I~~
~~might go to my Home~~ as
soon as I desired — ~~but I~~
~~did not wish to get home~~
~~until Winter~~ — Concluded
to improve the intervening time
till Spring in going about
a little —

I go by way of Nottaway River,
down the River, some miles
over land near Gaitons, to
the Lower Ferry on
Cantey River — I shall write again
not knowing where I may
overtake Letters —
Please write to my address —

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G. Thompson to Julia Ker.

Jan. 17/50

I hope D.V. to be home next Summer — in warm weather. I long to be with her — as the long separation — but she would not wish me to come in cold weather. And when I come, it is agreed, by my brethren, that I bring my dear boy — to be educated more thoroughly — than we can possibly do here. We are persuaded this is our only way to get efficient native help. They must see civilization & get minds enlarged — as they cannot here. My plan is to have a house in Oberlin, myself, & the boy boarded with me. Pray for us & watch over them. May the Lord direct as will be for his glory. I shall, probably bring also Miss McIntosh, if she goes.

Your Br. G. Thompson

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Good Hope Mission Station
Sherbro Island W. A. 4th
Jan. 17th 1857

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. II-2203
FISK UNIV.

Mr. Jappan Esqr.
Treas. A. M. A. New York }

Dear Sir

The following is a report of the amt. the different Stations have received from the General store of the Mission from Jan. 1st 1856 to Jan. 1st 1857.- Good Hope Station account is such a confused one that I cannot vouch for its accuracy - nor in fact any other except the last 9 mo. of Kau-mendi. Such glaring mistakes & neglect have been found in settling all of the accounts kept (or rather not kept) by your present financial agent, that I doubt not, the Mission has double paid enough to the traders during the last year to keep up Kau-mendi one quarter.

	£ s d
Mo-Jappan Station has had	305.4.11
not including a large quantity of Lumber & Tin from Kau-mendi Station	
Kau-mendi Station has had,	148.0.11
Good Hope Station " ditto	459.11.0¼
	£912.16.10¼
	$4381.64

There are not less (in all £200 of outstanding debts yet unpaid for last year, making the grand Total $5364.64 Mr. Brooks has not yet drawn the bills of which you will receive instructions perhaps before you receive this If at the close of this month nothing is done by him to relieve me I shall positively close up & abandon Kau-mendi & this Station as soon thereafter as my few goods are gone. I'll not go in debt any more. Yours, D. J. Lee

Dr D. J. Lee
Good Hope Mission
17 Jan. 1857
Expenditures of different
stations.
Outstanding debts.
Heads.
Rec'd 6 April 1857

Annual Report
by Dr Lee

Rev. J. S. Brooks
Moor Hoke
Jan. 21, 1850

A. M. A. MO. Lick Library

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-T2D
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope January 21. 1866.

Dear Brother Whipple:

I have been so busy for the last two months that I have had no time to write, and now I shall only give you a few lines, stating briefly our condition, plans & prospects,

Br. Hickinger is in Freetown for his health. I think he has given up opening at Mo Lowari.

Br. Buxton & wife are expected to go to America in March or April. if nothing is received from you by the next English Steamer decidedly in favour of the separate proposed during the last three years. You must dictate, fix, and determine our platform or bond of union, it can never be done here. Men who are willing to labour with any and all classes of Christians and make the cause a common one, have strong peculiarities of some kind or other which will not harmonize any more than a strong sectarian spirit. I have said and believe that our Mission must be sectarian before it will succeed well.

Br. Thompson is now to Liberia contrary to the wishes of the majority of our Mission. When he comes back he is to return to America. He expects to take three of our boys with him. this also is opposed. I for one believe it unwise and wrong. but he proposes to relieve the Mission of all responsability by defraying their expenses himself.

Vela Matter is settled for the present. We cannot

get it as strong is the slave & Mahometan influences in that quarter.

Raw Mendi will be left in charge of native help during the Rainy season while Dr. Lee and family will go to Mt Lapparé, or Good Hope, and I shall be at the other station. This seems to be the way our labor must be divided.

At present I shall be at Boom Falls, and try to finish the house there. But why do we not have the glass for that house? It has been ordered more than a year ago. Two boxes or 10 doz. lights of 9 x 12 inch. Br Officer & Think wrote for it. Dr. Cole said he wrote for it & Br Burton has written twice for it. Do send soon.

Have you sent the Tin for the roof?

Have you sent the three Franklin Stoves ordered for it? These stoves should be small - from 14 to 18 inches across the back - without doors - smooth or plain castings, & two should have the smoke flue on the top without pipe. One should have the smoke flue on the back with an elbow of 12 inch length of pipe as per diagram [illegible] inches from the elbow the pipe should extend up nine feet and have another elbow to go into the chimney. Each stove should be supplied with cast iron fire dogs, or hand-irons to lay the wood on. These stoves could be sent in a single box by having them taken to pieces and packed, the pipe could be fitted but not joined or rivetted and sent with one length in another so as to occupy but little more space than a single piece, and when we get it we could put it together and rivetted here.

I want you to send 3 doz. glass nobs for closet doors & drawers medium size and 3 doz small ones.

If you can conveniently, I wish you would send me a small size, but good, Melodeon. the portable kind placed resting on the lap and filled with air by the motion of the elbow. This is a botch of a description but the best I can give. Please send these things by General Store marked for Boom Falls - or with Brooks on them.

We are all well.

Br. Brown is getting along nicely with his house.

Br. Lee can never attempt the Language with his labors in charge of a station so that place is yet unsupplied. I hope some one will take it up at Chartin with the help of the young men Mr. Thompson. They are our best interpreters indeed I have few one to assist me now as interpreter or instructor.

Edward H. Green has been dismissed for adultery.

James Anderson is dismissed for another attempt to prostitute one of the Minor Girls.

Pray for us. Love to your associates in the work & your family.

Ever thy yours

John A. Brooks.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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P.S.

Send the things ordered at once, Please, do.

No order for stones had been previously received.
I recollect no order for glass, not filled

Ors

Brown, Shipley & Co.
a/c current
to
Dec 31/55.
rec'd Feb. 26/56

Mr Lewis Jaffray
New York.

N. B. Should the rate of interest continue to rule above five P Cent p Annum, the average Bank of England rate will be charged in our next semi-annual account —

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-2205
FISK UNIV.

Liverpool 29 January 1856

Mr: Lewis Tappan,
New York.

Dear Sir,

In accordance with our custom at this Season we beg to hand you herewith statement of your Account Current, shewing a balance in our favor, of £170 . 8 . 4 Cash 31 ult^o which we hope you will find correct. —

We remain
Yours respectfully
Brown Shipley & Co

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Mr. Lewis Jackson Treas. American Mission Assn.

J. & Brown Shipley & Co. Dr

Interest to 31 Dec 1855

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Liverpool 31 Dec 1855

J. & Brown Shipley & Co

J. C. Brown

D. W. Burton
Jany 31. 1850
Goods sent June 1850,
by G. H. Townsend

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7806
FISK UNIV.

Grist from Wm S
by H. H. Jones

Dear Brother Whipple,

I have received the following list of things from Dr Lee, with request that they be ordered for him,

3. 6 Medium Sized Franklin stoves
2 Doz " Glass Knobs for Draw
3 Spiral Spring Double Beds,
3 Doz Long Stemd Castors for beds,
2 Half Bbls Good Beef,
2 " " " Pork,
2 Bbls Canvassed Sugar Cured Hams,
2 " Good Butter, packed in Kegs and put in barrels, with pickle around.

It is my wish to return to America, as soon as I can make arrangements to do so consistently. We are all pretty well at present.

Yours very truly. D. W. Burton.

Good Hope Jan 31st 1857

Kent. Sierra Leone. Feb. 2nd 1857

Mr. D. W. Burton
Freetown

Sir – The men arrived here yesterday afternoon – with the boxes in the Canoe. I told them to wait until morning – I have been so sick ever since Saturday afternoon as not to be able to be out of bed but a little and this morning am hardly able to hold up my head, but the Capt. is disposed to give me trouble. it is now 8 o-clock and for the last hour he has been worrying me for an anchor, which I cannot of course give him. he accordingly attempted to go off to town without taking what I want to send. I have just secured it by the aid of the police and shall retain it until I can pack a box and trunk and write my letters. From my present condition I have every reason to believe I shall not be able to go in the vessel in which you engaged our passage. I was in strong hopes that I should recover my health rapidly here, but God rules in a mysterious way. and it would be presumptious folly for me to venture on the ocean in my present feeble state. You will greatly oblige me therefore to have my Good put in the bonded ware house – in my name and give Mr. Egidio directions concerning our passage at such time as we may be able to sail. I hope she may be ready by the next vessel after this one. I cannot comply with your request to come to town with the Canoe, I shall have to go back to bed again when done writing this.

Mrs. Lee has not been very well either for the last two days. I humbly trust that I shall not have another attack like those I have had at Good Hope.

Will you do me the justice to write to Mr. Tappan and inform him or Mr. Whipple of the reasons why I do not come home at once. I think there are yet a few drops of the milk of human kindness in their souls, to say nothing of christian charity and forbearance, to hear you, me they will not hear, unless I get the missionaries to sign my statement, which I cannot do, unless you do me the kindness to stop here on your way down to Sherbro, which I wish you would do.

I trust you have made the estimate for my clothing and will leave the order for them at Mr. Eggidio, or what would be better bring it with you, when you come down to Kent.

Do not fail to stop here as I want to see you.

I am

Your unfortunate, injured & Cast down.

Friend

David J. Lee

A.M.A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-1207
FISK UNIV.

Br D. J. Lee
to
J. W. Barton
Kent, Sierra Leone
2 Feb. 1857

Sent to me by the
Barton Dec 26 April
1857.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. II-208
FISK UNIV.

Freetown Africa,
Feb 9th 1886

Rev Geo H Whipple,
Dear Brother

For two days past I have had the impression I ought to write you, but till the present hour I have resisted it on the ground of inability to write, On the 26 of Dec I had to cease labor on account of illness, & besides the severe attack of fever then I had one attack since here, (now 4 weeks)

During all this period I have done nothing at all save writing one short letter

I do not suffer so much from nervousness now as I did from my attacks in July & August but my system has gotten into a bilious, feverish habit, making me constantly liable to the real fever, I am compelled to take quinine almost daily, Rev Mr Rodney who has much experience in this climate, & Dr Deane both of this city with many others advise me returning to America. This however I will not do yet.

My Dear Wife who suffered so much with fever from July up till December has for nearly two months escaped hard fever. Indeed she has had none at all (till within the last ten days she has had a very little) since my first attack in December.

We heard from the Br & Sy at the Mission a few days since, & they were all well.

The last day of June the Red Warrior arrived here with news & provisions.

Br Bright in a letter by this mail authorizes me to purchase property in this City, with the view of making this the acclimating, & recruiting place for our Mis. He also recommended the opening of a School. But 1st American Citizens cannot hold property in this Colony without being naturalized 2d I should not purchase if I could, without knowing the mind of your Missionaries upon this subject. If we intend to Co-operate I think there should be a fair understanding between us here & the Committee at home in things of so much importance as the matter in hand

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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perty may be leased I am told for a term of years but as I am only able to go out early in the morning, or late in the evening, I have seen none yet that would answer our purpose.

To morrow (God willing) I shall start to G. H by Brig Gambia to consult with the Brethren there in regard to the matter.

Mr B & I had just returned from Mo Bonia (were after a detention of 4 days to get the Chiefs together, to give me the privilege of commencing a station there we were compelled to leave without getting them together) when I was taken sick.

It is but due me to say here that at several different times Mr B proposed to recommend a transfer of Mo Sappan station to our society, but the terms agreed upon by the Brethren I could not agree too. There has been no palaver between us however, & so far as I know I am on good terms with all the members of your Mission.

I have told the Brethren time & again I would have no palaver with any of them, God being my helper I will make good my promise.

If I would permit some things to sink into my heart I might have palaver too, to settle accounts & put my own improprieties against those of my Brethren, & thus balance them

My heart has bled to see the spirit which some of your Agents here have manifested toward each other, Oh if half the time was spent wrestling with God in fervent prayer for a deeper work of grace in our own hearts, that we have spent the last year, I in hearing, & others in telling their grievances, I am sure that those peace destroying, God-dishonoring, & heathen corrupting palavers would cease.

When I reflect on the high character missionaries sustain in the estimation of the people at home, & then look at ourselves I am humbled in the dust, & feel like saying Lord forgive our deception, & make us Christians in practice as well as in profession

A spirit of provoking each other to evil instead of to good works as the Apostle directs has much hindered the prosperity of Mendi Mission

The carnal mind (even in Missionaries) is enmity against God, &c, They that are in the flesh cannot please God, though they may wear the clerical robe

I am more than ever convinced that unless we as your Agents here have more of the mind of Christ "They labor in vain that build the house

We may in a kind of mechanical way civilize & Christianize this people it is true, but nothing short of a renewal of the heart by the agency of the Holy Spirit through the merits of Christ will save them from a relapse into all the vices of heathenism,

Like Stephen we must be good men full of faith, & the Holy Ghost, & Like Paul Glory in nothing save in the cross of Christ if we expect to lead this people to Christ, & to Heaven. Some of my good brethren, & sisters at the mission want a set of rules. Some are for one thing, & others for something else, but we need nothing so much as a fresh Baptism of the Holy Ghost-

Rev. D. K. Flickinger Africa
Feb 7. 1850

I wrote to our Com to learn your mind in regard to the propriety of commencing here.

To purchase such a house & lot as we should need will cost $3000 or thereabouts.

My trembling hand admonishes me to close, "What is man"

The Lord bless you, & all the members of the Com is the prayer of your humble servant

Affectionately
Yours

D. K. Flickinger

Rev Leo Whipple

You must excuse this ragged letter

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. EI-1209
FISK UNIV.

Hastings
July 12th 1856

My dear Miss Rose

I just recieved a note from Mrs Decker to say that you arrived and will be going back on Wednesday It greatly surprised me why you are in such a hurry, for I do wish to see you so as we may have a long talk for I have many things to say to you. I believe you come up solely on Abby's account & for you to go back without seeing me I felt hard about it, but as business call you away I cannot detain you. I wish you to know that I did not intent nor shall ever take advantage way from you; I send for her & yourself to come & spent sometime with us, I said in my letter to you when you have your vacation. We have heard many things which I did not credit all, some I believe are not true & to give satisfaction to Mrs Decker I therefore send for her child I must by all means send her back before the rainy season

sets in If you cannot receive her then I cannot help it. I know you can take care of her better than myself. I shall ever remember you for kindness to me this date. If I was at home like I might run to Town but I have to remain here until this day night, the business of the circuit lies heavily on my shoulders. I hope you will write me before you go. I really glad that my brother is with you I advise him to go I hope he may be serviceable to your Mission be a mother and adviser to him he is young & inexperienced I am his only adviser. As the leaven is in hurry I must close I hope you are all well. Remember me kindly to all at home

I remain
Yours affly
G. W. Dicks

A.M.E. ARCHIVES
NO. 17-1210
FISK UNIV.

Mrs. Ada
Mrs. Ada

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. A-2211
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Mission House
February 12th 1856.

To the Ex-Com- of A. M. A.

Dear Sirs,

Agreeable to previous notice, the members of Mendi Mission convened at Good Hope Station, to consult what was best to be done for the relief of the Mission, in its present embarrassed situation, and after much deliberation, and exchange of views, proceeded to business.

Brother David J. Lee presented the following Preamble & Resolutions for the consideration of the meeting

Whereas — Raw Mendi Station has ever been considered an unfavorable location for the health of those Missionaries who have, and still continue to labor there, and Whereas — The weakened condition of our present company of Missionaries, by death, sickness & removal — renders it necessary that we abandon one of the stations now being occupied, and Whereas — Circumstances seem to point out our duty at once to make provissions for the coming raining season — Therefore —

Resolved — That we proceed immediately to tear down the Mission house at Raw Mendi, and use such portions of it as are necessary for the completion of the houses at Wa Jappan and Good

Hope, and store the remainder at Good Hope

Resolved 2d — That the school at Kaw Mendi be reduced in number so as to contain only 35 scholars, and that they be committed to the care of two native teachers, one of whom shall be a minister, so as to take charge of the church at that place,

Resolved 3d — That the missionaries now located at Kaw Mendi, remove to the two remaining stations, as may be hereafter determined,

Resolved 4th — That those articles at Kaw Mendi which are of no further use in the Mission, be removed to Good Hope, and that Bro Burton be authorized to dispose of them at Auction, or in any way that he may think proper,

David J. Lee,
John H. Brooks,
D. W. Burton,

M. C. Lee,
D. J. McIntosh,
R. L. Sifft,

A true copy.

Mendi Mission
Feb 12 1855
Read in Com. for Prey

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. A-1212
FISK UNIV.

Freetown Feb 15/56

Mrs. Tappan,

Much esteemed Sister,

I have just received & read yours of Dec. 15. Your inquiries relative to the things you sent &c. All have been received except the Ammonia & Dr. Lee supplies me with some of his. They reached Kaw Mendi early in Dec. & seemed to be just such help as we needed.

They informed us they came authorised to remove the Kaw Mendi Station if they found the location unhealthy - They at once decided it was so, and that it was best to remove it. Even before reaching the house. There are so many interesting associations connected with the place that renders it doubly dear to me, & in view of these I chose to be in my accustomed place at school rather than attend the Missionary meeting where the subject was to be discussed. I told them I would not oppose them in whatever the Missionaries unanimously adopted as best. But new or inexperienced Missionaries know really very little of the trouble or expense of putting up buildings at a Station. The few who have made the experiment of our number, I presume would not be so sanguine about building up Stations with native help, &c. as any one experienced person. But if the honorable Committee think new Missionaries know & can better calculate on expenditures my mind is prepared to acquiesce in their arrangements even tho' it make me feel a homeless stranger in a heathen land.

I do not know why I did not receive my cap canvas, shoes etc till Nov & two supplies at once only the last first.

I was thought best in adopting new measures & putting down old that I should be absent for the time & Mr. Thomson has gone to Liberia & I proposed to have a change & rest in Sierra Leone, & here I am receiving as I ~~have~~ need to do.

I have not taught school so constantly since in Africa as the past year, & the commendible proficiency that has been made is encouraging. And is it any wonder my heart should be pained to have them sent away where heathenism in its worst forms exists, without strength of character to resist its wiles, or stedfastness which is in no danger of being contaminated by associating with the base & mingling with the vile. It seems vain to argue with me that if they have benefited by my labors, the benefit must be lasting. I know there is a powerful arm on which to lean, & that in his strength weakness is made perfect. And that to mature christians there is comparatively little to fear when they can realise their trust in God, that all things will work together for good to such as love God. As it regards myself I can from the heart adopt this language, & rejoice in the willingness to follow my Savior through evil, as well as good report.

But how can I guard best the children of my adoption, the children of my faith, my prayers, & with whom I have travailed in birth till Christ the hope of glory, as I trusted, was formed within them.

Is it any wonder a mothers heart should yearn over them, & weep to see them exposed as lambs amid wolves, to idolatry, & heathenism of every grade. Need I tell you that Dr. Lee has thought best in reducing our School of 60, to 25 or 30 to send away some of those who are named and supported in America. I think I speak of these things to you in confidence, & from the purest motives as it refers to my Missionary Associates & all concerned.

Since here I have been trained to learn that Mrs. Lee & Mrs. Shinn were of Religion, & where they prayed that neither she or Lee might see professors can it be possible that so despicable a character as the case warrant the same?

What will the Board of Missions as to send out poor professors?

You ask me whether I wish you to understand me, to say that Dr & Mrs Cole had been culpable? Most surely I do! But it would be more pleasurable to speak of their good than bad qualities.

I had rather not enter into details, but since you seem to desire it, allow me to palliate the circumstances connected as far as possible.

I will here say no duty which has devolved on me during the 15 yrs. I have been a Missionary, has been so wearing, so fatiguing, to my physical powers, as the nursing, watching, & caring for, & attending on the sick especially when acclimating. Dr & Mrs. Cole know very little, & are unwilling to believe any more than they know, of the many wakeful hours I have passed beside their sick beds, bathing their feverish brows, smoothing, & changing their heated pillows, apparel, etc. during the suspension of their reasoning, and perceptive faculties, at the critical period when the fever had reached the crises when trusting them to the best of native watchers, or attendents would have endangered their lives. And after standing beside them, day and night, & administering with my own hand what others could not persuade them to take for their restoration, till their reason returned, & convalescence was visible, can it be wondered that my worn, & jaded physical powers, should need repose, should even demand it, for poor crushed human nature to be restored, demands the amount of sleep she has lost. Is it strange they should begin to feel I neglected them? Forgive the allusion

of Missions as to send out poor Professors? What will the poor world of men now that a poor professor has been ordained at Tiaw Mendi? I hand my heart to hear some of the smoothing allusions which are made of it. Can we women to give consideration, say, "By & bye I am going to tell them of this" Profane, & inconsiderate, but they should take heed lest they be called to account for the truth of this?

One or two examples by way of illustration. You are aware that I respect even to veneration our dear departed Br. Tefft. He was delirious in his acclimating fever & I have often thought the attentions of his beloved Eliza during his derangement laid the foundation for her premature death. Though I was ill of fever at the time often has that dear departed sister entered my apartment & gave vent to her feeling in a flood of tears. On my inquiring the cause she has said "Oh! I thought my husband unkind last night, for though my head ached, & I felt so bad he occupied the whole bed, not allowing me even a place to rest my wearied frame."
I thought him unkind but this morning he says he remembers no event which occurred last night. His fever rages so & he by turns is so restive under it I fear he will die." How can I bear the thought of being bereft of him & left a stranger, derelate & afflicted among a heathen people in benighted Africa". I might mention the case of my own dear Sister in Ct whom her attendant physician & intimate friends were disposed to allow that under God I was instramental in preserving her life during a violent attack of Typhoid fever.
After she became sane she said to me "I have slept a long sleep." As her reason with her fever was vacillating, much occurred of which she knew nothing, & on a cold bleak Nov. morn I brought her breakfast & she wanted salt, & as I went to get some she arose from her bed barefooted in night clothes & went out in the snow. I hastened out

Did the Committee authorize "Dr. Lee to remove Ham Brooks' wife should have to have it? I have my fears he will not acclimate. H. Shore

for her, alarmed as I was for her safety, & laid hold of her with so much ardor, & brought her forcibly back to her bed that her reason so much returned that she remembered that, & after her health, & reason were restored, she spoke of my cruelty that sad morn. And when I asked her if she knew also of her being out in the snow barefooted she replied, "No!" And would not be persuaded of her inconsistency till her husband & children confirmed the truthful words I had told her. So it has been with Doct. Cole and wife, & so with Dr. Sam'l Gray. I never was able to convince them but what they had been shockingly abused in their sickness. Though my rule is not to trust them to the natives in insanity. Unlike this Dr. Tefft believed what I asserted as sacred truth, & gratitude filled his heart for the attentions he had received from kind friends. Dr C— notwithstanding I had attended so closely on him, & he had thrown the wet napkins with such a fiendish grasp from his head, his temples, his stomach etc notwithstanding I bathed him often, & applied fomentations, cataplasms and sudorific drinks, often affirms proper treatment would have prevented his soreness and boils, which as in the case of Dr Tefft succeeded convalescence. So it was with Mary (now Mrs. Cole) when my worn & aching feet have carried her head she has ordered me peremptorily to carry it after without allowing me a moments time to rest.

Thus has it been with the Doct & Mrs Cole. After all my attentions & meeting them in derangement & breaking our kind heavenly Father's law in his benevolent arrangement to Have Obeyed & Honored my parents & receive a reward that might have been.

Again when I have given her drink she has been alike petulent. Once in particular the time she refers to (I suppose) when even a drink of cold water was denied her. She called me to her bedside to give her a drink. I took up a glass without noticing the ants that were crawling as is too common over it, filled it with water. Oh! how she raved and stormed on me for treating her thus. I turned out the water rinsed the glass & filled it with fresh water, placed a stand by her with a cooler of water within her reach, & told her to help herself. I do not know but I manifested too much of an impatient spirit, in not putting the water into her hand at her bidding. But I have felt it was but doing as I would be done by.

Another case occurred when there was no good drinking water in her room, I took her cup and went for some but on arriving at the kitchen my ears were pained by wrangling at the girls play house where I immediately repaired settled the palaver, & returned to the house where some one had called, & was in waiting for me. By this time I had entirely forgotten that important business of carrying water to Miss Aldrich. I asked her pardon but never would she forgive me. The wrong she affirmed must have been intentional. For how

Note. Lest any one forget the sick who demanded the first attention. I wrote to her after she went to Good Hope, saying if she thought I was wrong to leave her I would return to the house to the sick. Feb 15. 1856.

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Freetown 16 Feb 1856

Rev. G. Whipple,

Dear Sir,

I am informed of your request to me to write you relative to Dr. & Mrs. Cole. It has ever been my aim not to injure the reputation of any of my coadjutors in Missionary work, even to my nearest relatives I have ~~never even to my nearest relatives~~ written one censorious word. But when called on to do so by our patrons, our hon. Committee I never withold my opinion, even though it cause me a struggle as in the case of Wm. C. Brown, I give you my opinion. The Dr & wifes faults were not concealed to any one of our number. All of us suffered from their censo-

I have not seen your letter yet. I am just after your letter was sent off.

Just before Mrs Aldrich were both deranged in their very & for a long time there was a partial derangement

rious dispositions. The Doct.
was more subtile & uttered in
lower tones with fine strains
of eloquence to attract our atten
tion lest we might not be
interested listeners to harping
on our brethren, & sisters im
perfections. Miss Aldrich on
the other hand would astonn
us by railing at us, & always
claim the last word. I have
often felt so ashamed to
hear her cavils and opprobi
um showered like hailstones
on a br, or sister in stento
rian language that I have
rebuked her, and shared with
them in their opprobriums.
I refer to br. & Sis Tefft,
& sister Thompson, whom
I doubt not would have now
been with us at the Mendish
for she writes she cannot

a hallucination of mind which let them view imaginary
evils as real, & to chase shadowy premises be

at this long period think of those scenes which transpired with Doct. C. & Mary A. without a cold shudder convulsing her feeble frame. Dr. Officer would doubtless have been one of our number but from the same cause. Dr. Jeffs told me with his own truthful lips, all that he had passed through in leaving his parents, home, and dear native land were only as a drop in the bucket added to these his own acclimating sickness his bereavement of bosom companion & dear ones were not so trying as those he had experienced in the estrangement of his Missionary Associates, with special allusion to the Dr. & Mrs. Aldrich & Wm. C. Brown.

From these facts may be traced their supposed neglects sufferings etc. which they allege to have

All of the Br. Jeffs & myself
others bore with in silence
as long as we deemed silence
tolerable. But when the Doct
and Miss A— were known to
keep late hours together, and
traverse unfrequented wilds
till they became a byword
among the natives as living
in the commission of sins the
missionaries would declare
heinous in them, even adultery
then it was we felt called on
to act, & decided at Thaw
Mendi that they must either
marry, or leave the Mission.
This was laid before the Dr.
at Good Hope & he decided
it was impossible for him
to marry Miss A. & that there
ever had been an understand
ing to that effect existing in
all their intercourse that she
was to be only a sister to him.

harrel through. I can affirm that I spared not my
self night or day in trying to do best for them.

And furthermore that their union was impeded by insurmountable obstacles, at least till he could get word from America. Miss Aldrich was on her bed ill at the time, & the brethren Thompson & Jeffs returned to Kam Mindi. The following day the Mission Boat came post haste summoning us down to Good Hope for a Missionary meeting, as Miss A. must know what she had done that she must leave the Mission? & why we had not apprised her of it sooner? and why we had not warned her if criminally guilty? &c. etc. Bro Thompson, Jeffs & myself had reproved her for passionate railing, & seemingly without any good results. & as to her intimacy with the Doct. we only deemed it admissable where a marriage contract was impending as we had reason to conclude was the case with them.

With respect to Miss Aldrich & the Missionaries it was on the eve of her departure to America & we could not resist

On the same evening Br Thomson drew up in form of a confession her more prominent sins and begged pardon for not reproving her for them at the time committing. On reading them one good brother remarked. Br Thompson you confess not only your own sins but Miss Aldrich's too. It read in this way "I heard you storming at Mrs. Thomson Miss More & others & forbore to reprove you. Forgive me!!" When I heard Ja & Elizabeth were married at Good Hope for illicit intercourse I wrote it had better have been the Dr & Mary. Forgive me that I had not told you so sooner & in earnest. Mrs. Tefft, & Woolsey & self felt we had then no pardon to crave at their hands, & did not wish to be present. were unanimous in wishing the opprobrium wiped from our Mission by their dismission.

I had previously craved her pardon in a note for any wrong I had done her, & she forbore to testify against me.

With regard to Miss Aldrich, I was

Dr Tefft felt awefully, I saw it depicted in his countenance, & read it in his every action, as the words more than one escaped his lips, "what is our heavenly father saying to us by these heart-rending dispensations! Oh! how I long to read the lessons he is teaching"? — I saw his struggle in the dilemma, & tried to dissuade him from going to Good Hope. His decided reply was, "I must go, duties are ours said he" when I spoke of his precarious health, & events are God's" Dr Thomson returned the next day, with the intelligence that as the D. & Miss A. could not marry they were to set out for America as soon as practicable, & that Dr Tefft had staid to arrange affairs & look over the book accounts &c.

With regard to Miss Mc Intosh. She is now in the work. The Lord does well in preparing work for her heart.

In the meantime Dr Cole asked his Dr Jeffs advice relative to marrying Mary? Dr Jeffs protested against it, alleging there was wanting that unanimity of feeling & evenness of temper, to make them blessings or helpmeets to each other, & never to marry. This was the first repulse they had ever had, & as Dr Brooks had often remarked "all they wanted was opposition" & tried to have Dr J. make love to Mary for the purpose, tho' he could not be induced to play the hypocrite.— It seemed strange to us all that at this juncture union was decided on & Dr Brooks performed the ceremony of pronouncing Dr Cole & Mary husband & wife! Dr Jeffs returned to his home in the intelligence,— took his bed and died soon after & his wife thinks he might still have been living had not his plans been thwarted by their remaining at Good Hope

the girls, & should deem his conjecture to touch too far, yet it was premature in me to sign her recall, H. Mar

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Another fact with regard to Sherbro Island is now before me, that the Coast near Good Hope is considered one of the most unhealthy on the whole coast for a long way. I give this only as the testimony of some individuals, based probably on the late occurrence of an English vessel lying at anchor near the Good Hope landing, & having lost her Mate and more than half her Crew one of which was buried in the Yawry Bay which we always pass over on our way to the Mendi Mission. I wish you could read as I have been doing the Statistics of the English Missions in Sierra Leone, & know how great a number of these first Missionaries died, though at present it is considered one of the most healthy on the western coast of Africa. Look also at the history of Liberia

I know some thing of the trials, the privations, of building, & getting first growing & establishing. We have recently had to get fuel and timber

And I hear as I have done, their dreadful sufferings depicted, and see if you can hear unmoved!— Mrs Sumner with whom I now am tells me she has passed thro' scenes which she cannot revert to without pangs which causes her blood to boil in her veins, She speak of having suffered all that mortal could & live, of having been nurtured in her pleasant home in Virginia, & married to the man of her choice, & becoming the Mother of ten promising Children, And taking the Emigrants Ship for Liberia with 189 of her colored brethren including her husband children friends & dear loved ones, and in two yrs not 30 of them were living, husband, children, & loved ones, gone! gone to the grave. That her own eyes had seen 17 carried to the grave in a single day. Last spring she with her husband visited Liberia & found only 5 of her company living. She came to Liberia in 1832 & has but one child living—

Bitter my see sufferers suffer as well as we. Natives & Colored as well as white in all every relationship of life.

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What I think blameworthy in Doct. & Mrs. Cole was their faultfinding disposition, & their unwillingness to labor with any unless every thing was at their direction. A selfrighteous disposition in a Missionary is anything but lovable. There has been no Missionary Lady at Kum Menli who has seemed so much as a boarder as Mary. I never saw her take a broom and sweep the diningroom or parlor while with me. Even when my labors were most pressing she would be dressed in white and want a ladys attention. And the schoolgirls she could not bear around her. So that I used to go in and assist her in dressing, till the Dr himself forbade it. The Doct. was more [illegible] n her than any one else & even refused to come at her order when she was sick.

Burn this if you please.

The Dr & his children were so intimate that Mrs. Thompson & the rest of us suffered from engaging the first year of our intimacy with Mr. Cole.

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The Dr. was surely to blame
his treatment of Br Jeff.
Jeff told me that in burying
his beloved wife his own illness
suffering in a strange land
not to be compared with
his sufferings amongst false
friends. Dr Cole would idle
about when so much needed
doing & say it was none of
his business as he was not
at the head of affairs.
Another fault of the Dr. was
his love of being up late nights
talking low with the ladies
of any whom he happened
to be with. Many an evening
I have gone to bed & left him
up alone in the Hotel Parlor.
Mary would sit and chat
till midnight. When he was
in town he sat up so with
Mrs Locks & her husband's
jealousy was aroused & they
separated.

When Dr Cole's attentions to Mrs Locks was such that in the month of
January it was considered not safe for her husband to leave her
alone with the Dr. Mr Locks who was a very jealous man
thought it time to remove his family from the temptation
of being in the same house with the Dr. & so he left
Nauvoo & went to Keokuk

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7218
FISK UNIVERSITY

To the Committee of A. M. A.

Much esteemed friends, and Patrons,

It is impressed on my mind that it is my duty to ask permission to stop at Kaw Mendi, if that Station is to be vacated by all my Missionary brethren. This is the sixth year since I have been located there, my health is as good as could be expected as I have not been in America since 1850. If it is the will of God I shall live & die in Af. It seems to be a call from above that I should do wrong to resist that, & continue at Kaw Mendi & look after the Church planted there in the wilderness and exposed to beasts of prey, in the forms of Mahomedanism, Idolatry, Witchcraft, Hatred, Varience, Greegrees, Country fashions, & a host of attending evils.

My sensitive & feminine feelings revolt at the idea of being left alone among the Natives at Kaw Mendi; But the path of

At which my heart revolts, pervading all ranks from the beggar to the king.

I have never opened my mind to any Member of your Committee regarding my call to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ to the heathen as well as to become a Missionary among them of which I have no doubt.

And here allow me to say I have never read, or heard of a more pointed call to preach than mine has been.

I was educated on the strictly Puritanical notions of N. E. & early became a Member of a Congregational Chh where women's speaking in meeting was reprobated as highly censurable, & such were the strong prejudices instilled into my mind, that to overcome them seemed an almost insurmountable obstacle. So that many times when the duty of speaking in meeting was impressed on my mind I have gone home with a heavy heart, & burdened mind for neglecting duty, & spent a restless night in consequence.

I suppose and duty always are in conjunction. I would prefer to have a single female with me rather than entirely alone. I shall try to have Miss. McIntosh if she

One night in particular I recollect with what vividness a sermon came to my mind so strong as in imagination I preached it, that I could recollect it in the morning.

Still I tried to suppress the Monitor within, & dared not mention to my most intimate friends the struggle which was going on within.

After long resisting the influences of the Spirit till the burden became almost intolerable, I arose in an evening meeting & gave vent to my feelings in an exhortation.

I cannot portray on paper the change which passed in my mind. Instantaneously the burden was removed, & the choking, agitated feelings gone, the palpitating heart beat more uniform, & the tremulous voice became clear, & distinct. Some Baptists remarked with wonder, that I had not used my talents before, & I was afterward informed by their Minister "they could have staid all night to have heard such speaking". Still my own church-people & family were as opposed as ever to females speaking in public. Scarce ever did I have an opportunity among them; but if any occurred which I neglected

entirely alone. I shall try to have Miss Mc. Intosh if she is willing, as she is such a same & inclined to labor,

Mrs. H. More. Feb 16/56

neglected to improve, my burdened spirit could not be released till I had confessed my guilt to God & promised amendment.

I then learned to embrace private opportunities, in female prayer meetings in visiting families, & in my schools to expound and elucidate Scripture truths, and exhort, & pray & the more humble I could do this without exposure to the public gaze the better. In this way I labored both at home, & among the Indians with success with happiness.

I often took up some text to, & enlarged on it as my pupils read their morning lessons in the bible. One time I recollect my Dwight Mission scholars were, many of them guilty of plucking fruit which had been prohibited by their Missionaries. I took for my text, Eve & the forbidden fruit, & the Sermon I gave them was more beneficial than the flogging premeditated would have been. — Pardon these allusions, & let me know the result of your deliberation soon. H. More

Dr. Cor. Secy A.B.C.F.M.

I suppose there is no abiding among that has taught so much have in the Oldmale Mission, & those who love the native children & are pleased

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Freetown 19 Feb. 1856.

My Dear Missionary Associates at Kaw Mendi?

How are you getting on? My heart is oft with you, as those loved ones rise up before my mental view. How is the Station and all connected with it? I almost tremble to hear.

I hope & pray that the imprecations which have been invoked on Kaw Mendi may fall powerless, & her doom be averted. May her School long prove a blessing to the native Africans! May her Sons, & Daughters be as polished Stones fitted for the Masters use, and willing instruments to promulgate the truths of the Blessed gospel of Peace,

& fear for the health of the unacclimated Missionaries — Let me know if you need me. My health is improving.

If God be for her who can be against her? Are not her advocates in Heaven plead for her? Was not the Church there planted by the good right arm of Jehovah? Has it not been watered by the tears, the prayers, & the blood, of Saints around the eternal throne of God? Can we for a moment suppose he will suffer any wild boar out of the wood to lay her waste? ~~her~~? I must say in the language of the hymn, My Faith looks up to thee
Thou Lamb of Calvary.
I do not I cannot believe her downfall is determined in heaven. Is there not a Raymond there, & a Tefft, & a host of others to plead her cause, to stand in the gap between the dead and living, & ward off the impending blow meditated by estranged brethren? I know not what course my brethren, & Sisters

in the field may take, but my post is not to be vacated, I win success or die with my armor on! I can not give up my post to the enemy, while mine eye of faith sees the promised land in view. My brethren & sisters have set me a worthy example & have died rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer & die in a cause so good. I reverate their memory! I revere the purity of their lives & with the help of God will tread in their footsteps. The world, nor its allurements, shall tempt me to stray for its forbidden pleasures. The cup of affliction, I spurn not; but will drink even the dregs. ~~But~~ will go forward trusting in the Lord, not leaning on any human arm for support; with the belief I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me. Hannah More

Miss Mary to
Mr Monroe
Feb 19, 1856

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Missionaries At Kaw Mendi
West Africa.
Little Boom.
River

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Freetown 19th Feb 1856

My Dear Missionary Associate at Kaw Mendi? —

How are you getting on? My heart is often with you as those loved ones rise before my mental view. How is the Station and all connected with it? I almost tremble to hear. I hope and pray the imprecations which have been invoked on Kaw Mendi may fall powerless and ha doom be averted. May her School long prove a rich blessing to the Native Africans. May her Sons & Daughters be as polished stones fitted for the Masters use, and willing instruments to promulgate the truths of the blessed gospel of Peace. If God be for her who can be against her to harm her?

Are not her Advocates in Heaven pleading for her? Was not the Church there planted by the good right arm of Jehovah? Has it not been watered by the tears, the prayers, & the blood of saints around the eternal throne of God? Can we for a moment suppose he will suffer any wild boar out of the wood to lay her waste? I can say in the language of the Hymn —

My Faith looks up to thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary!

I do not, I cannot believe, her downfall is determined in heaven! Is there not a Raymond there, & a Jeff, and a host of worthies to plead her cause, to stand in the gap between the living and dead to ward off the impending blow meditated by estranged brethren? I know not what course my brethren & Sisters in the field may

take! but my post in the mission field is not to be given up to the enemy, I win success or die with my armor on, for mine eye of faith beholds the promised land! My brethren, & sisters have set me a worthy example & died rejoicing they were counted worthy to suffer & die in a cause so good. I venerate their memory! I revere the purity of their lives, & with the help of God will tread in their footsteps! Neither the world nor its allurements shall tempt me to stray for its forbidden pleasures; The cup of affliction I spurn not; but will drink it even to the dregs! I will go forward trusting in the Lord & not leaning on any human arm for aid, with the belief, I can do all things through Christ who strengthen eth me. your Sister H. Moe

Copy
Mrs Mure
to the Missionaries
at Kaw Mendi
Sierra Leone
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The Missionaries at
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Ans. Feb 1850

Kaw, Mend: Feb, 12th 1850

Mr, Whipple,

My, Dear, Brother,

The Kind Sympathizing letters from the Rooms are received, thanks for them they were soothing to my wounded heart, I had long since made up my mind to remain in Africa I had thought very much as you had of Mrs Judson and others, But I commenced this short note to say to you if a person by the name

of Lucy Marinda Lewis
or Lucy M, Sexton applies to
the American Missionary
Assosiation to be sent here
or at any other Mission field
do not by any means send
her, She is my own sister
and has as I understand left
her home and applied for such
She is a Step Mother to two
little children, Her husband
was considered and appeared
like a fine kind respectable
man, She is very Impulsive,
To say the least She would
not be a fit person for a
Missionary, I love her as
dearly as any one could a sister
but I should feel very sad to
see her come here, I am
now sick on my bed
but hope to be up in a day or
two, therefore you will excuse
this short rough looking note
as I am writing in bed, I felt
it to be my duty to write immediately for the Committee have been
Imposed upon enough, I think
Dr & Mrs Cole must have
appeared in a Slick new —
suit before our Unsuspecting
Committee
"Beware of wolves in sheeps
clothing" The most of the
Mission[redacted] feel and I certainly
do that Dr Cole with another member
of the Mission was the cause
of Mr Leffts death I feel had
Dr Cole been sent home long
ago the Mission would have

been <u>much</u> better off and I
feel that my dear husband
would still be living for he
treated him so badly it
wore upon his mind till a
rageing inward fever —
ended his useful life,, We
at the Mission have suffered
more ~~than~~ from his meanness
than the Committee have
any Idea of, If I live I will
write you more fully both of
his and his Wifes doings,
I will send this by way of
England for fear the Sister I
spoke of may be appointed.

Yours truly in Love
R L Lefft,

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Kau-Mendi Mission Station West Africa
Feb. 18th 1856

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Rev. George Whipple
Cor. Sec. A. M. A.

Dear Brother

Your Letter of Christmas day was received, and, a strange coincidence, I wrote one to you on the same day, but circumstances changed so suddenly a few days after, that I did not send it. I will briefly reply to your well intended remarks in refference to the experience of Dr. Cole in the treatment of the forms of disease incident to this climate, that I would not give a fig for it nor any other of his class, when I see for myself that he has told you a lot of fudge that the verriest school boy in Africa would laugh at. There is not an old country doctor in this land of ignorance and superstition, who was so unsuccessful in their practice as he was, and not a heathen who would treat a sick person as he did some who now sleep beneath the sands of Africa, victims to his "salt water" & Quinine. But enough of him and his; time is too precious with me to spend any portion of it in reviewing the "scientific researches" of any of the Allopathic Fraternity, so long as they are based on so false a foundation.

You will learn by my former letters something of my impressions of the opperations of Kau-Mendi Station. And as the evils and absurdities connected with it will soon be numbered with the things that were

I shall say nothing about them. Many of the evils which have been encouraged, enforced, and inculcated into the minds of these children have become so firmly established, that they have already began to show their fruits, and will never be eradicated, consequently I am compelled to dismiss them from the school. From a school of 76 when I came here - I have reduced it to 48 and would send many more away if they had homes to go to, but they would perhaps go into slavery again.

Out of all who have been educated here - not one except William Tucker is prepared to do any good to their country men. most of the scholars were traders sons from down along the coast. Greetown and many were kings sons who were sent here to be educated as interpreters for their fathers, and many of them have turned out to be the most debased villians in this country. This has all resulted from a want of judgement in selecting the right kind of children for our school. But affairs are wearing a new aspect, and by the grace of God I shall make or break Have Mendi before we finally leave it. You will see from Bro. Burton's letter the Resolves in reference to this station. We are putting them into execution as fast as possiable. We think the committee will approve of our action, but no matter if they do not, it will be too late to remedy it, and it will not be the first good thing they have been censured for - i e sending home the Dr and his wife. I found the present company all rejoicing over the great gain the received in their having gone. Yet you grieve over its "seeming" necessity, as a chastisement from the Lord - Well men will differ - We will all go to Mo-Tappan - except Mrs Intosh, who is now more rational than she was when she left New York, yet liable to those spasms, we think she may yet do some good here and as she was so desirous to stay, we have tacitly consented, and she has the Good Hope school. I will write more in a day or two

Ever yours in Christ David J. Lee

D. J. Lee, Feb 14, 1856

Kau-Mendi West Africa Feb. 18th 1856

Dear Jappan Esqr.

Treas. A. M. A.

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Dear Brother. We received your letters of Oct. & Dec. on Saturday last; they were read with pleasure. I am pleased to think you feel interested in our welfare, and can assure you, that we have every temporary comfort that is necessary for our well being, and enjoy a good degree of the presence of God to cheer us in our arduous labors. You have by this time learned that we are safely settled at Kau-Mendi and some of my opinions of the operations of this mission. I had commenced a concise report of all connected with this station, and intended to send it with Mr. Thompson, who will go home immediately on his return from his Liberia trip. But since I read Mr. Whipple's general letter (to all but the new comers) and have learned how truthful reports of the operations here, have always been received by your committee, and how such impostors, as have been in this mission, can cause such letters to be written, against those whom they have caused to suffer so much - I have concluded that I will not lay myself liable to any General Letter, and consequently tore up my report, and will not write any thing about the grievances under which we labor.

If the committee have treated with contempt the

reports well tried and true men, such as Messrs Brooks, Burton, Conduit & Officer; how can I expect any confidence in what I may say who am only a "novice" in the Missionary field. [He alludes to Mr Whiffin's excellent letter of Dec 25/55.]

But one thing is certain if ever any more of the same kind of stock come into the Mission as long as I am in it, I will make it inconveniently hot with pepper Lobelia&c for them to remain long in Africa! You may think this is rash – I do not – Many have fallen victims to the treatment they have received from those who are gone, and may go – but I have no idea of letting these things break me to death. I will have labored to right what is wrong here, and if the committee will not considder what has been said, I will hand my report in at the great day of final accounts, meantime I will settle up all behind as I go.

We are tearing down the House at Hare-Mendi – thus effectually putting an end to the slaughter of the Missionaries who annually come here. We have once been driven away from Wela, and once since positively refused even the priveledge of asking for it, but I have determined to have it, and have labored against all appearances of getting the place, until the Mahomedans can no longer bear my importunity, and next week they hold a pallaver, when I have some assurance, they will let us have the location, and by next dry season we will have one of the most healthy spots in Western Africa for our new comers!

We are enjoying excellent health, except Mrs Tefft, she is unwell but will recover. The "General Letter" made her worse. Please write often. Charly has been sick, but we sent him to Good Hope to recover. Love to all. Truly yours J. J. Lee.

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Kaw Mendi. Mission House
Djony Sherbro Feb. 18th 1856.

Rev. Geo. Whipple,
Cor. Sec. A. M. A.

My dear Brother,

Your letters and the goods by the "Red Warrior" have been received. Your general letter has thus far excited some unpleasant feelings. After we have done the best that we could it seems hard that we should be blamed so severely. And have the deaths among us charged home as justly merit of the Allwise dispenser of justice for our ill treatment towards Dr. & Mrs. Cole.

You should recall the facts that in the rooms at 48 Beekman Street Dr. Coles "palaver" commenced, Dr. Cole was led to believe by conversations you had with him that his company would be regularly organized, with rules and regulations to govern their conduct &c in the Mission fields and that he should be the head or general superintendent of the Mission. In this he was sadly disappointed. You seemed to place confidence in him at the rooms. He felt neglected and slighted. When Br. Officer came to the rooms you saw that he was the most reliable business man, you turned from Dr. Cole and made Br. Officer your agent in behalf of the Mission. Again you gave Dr. Cole to expect ordination before sailing. He felt that he was put off intentionally so that he came out without the office of Chief Govr or Ministerial Orders. Here began hard feelings towards you, and Br. Officer which you could not fail to have known by the Dr's correspondence with you. Again he received no special instructions from you

in regard to the matter of traveling, examining the country &c. to report the effect of climate, water, and peculiar localities on health and you declining to give him all the apparatus he desired to make the examinations he supposes you expected of him. These things have been like goads and the Dr. rides all the time he was here.

Let me say one thing more. This difficulty commenced in the Office between you and Dr. Cole. You lost confidence in Dr. Cole so far that you feared difficulty and I have understood that you expressed this to some of the Mission Company. Yet did you take Dr. Cole aside and tell him these things? Did you not fail here as we confess we have and for the same reasons? If so you will take a share of your general letter to your self. We have not been as frank with the Dr. & his wife because we have feared to stir up a bad palaver. Both the Dr. & his wife have more words than either of us, and less fear of wounding another's feelings.

Have you forgotten Wm Brown? Dr. Cole & W. Brown are a match for fine talk. I fear you failed to see Dr. Coles true spirit. Of whom did he speak most? of himself or others? Did he tell you a single step of real progress but what originated in himself? Now do you suppose that all that has been done here for the last three years here worth letting was the fruit of Dr. Coles wisdom and energy? It seems to me that this would be quite enough to show one feature of Dr. Coles character, viz: that he was a great deal little. Now I speak candidly and faithfully. Dr. Cole has done less for the mission during his stay than any other one. He talked and wrote his whole time, and yet could see himself the heart and seat of all progress.

As to Mrs. Coles farewell I have only to say that Dr. Cole was first and foremost, prime instigator and chief actor in her trouble. I have never known one of our company to say more and worse of Mrs. Cole than the Dr. and Mrs Cole told me in presence of the Dr the day before they were married that she had never been so treated by any mortal as she had been by Dr. Cole. No one can better answer her charges than her husband. but you will hear some from the sisters.

As to Dr. Coles practice in regard to which you have made so favourable a reference I will state a few things. His treatment of my wife was marked with ignorance and neglect. During her first sickness he carried his hobby (Saline) so far as to nearly take her out of the world, and not untill I seemed stubborn and positive did the ill workings time after time would he consent to discontinue the use of salines.

When I brought Mrs Brooks down the Room she was quite comfortable but had some ayne for which Dr Cole ordered Quinine, I objected saying that the tendency of quinine was to congestion and its effects were immediate in her case, giving instances. He knew she was having her monthlies and that any tendency to congestion would be highly injurious, yet he insisted on breaking her chills first than attend to any bad effects that might appear. She took quinine and in three days it produced just the results to be expected, hemorrhage. this continued till I gave her up to die, for Dr. Cole seemed unconcerned. and could gave her salt and water untill there was no hope, then though I objected he gave tannin and quinine combined as long as she could swallow. Does this look like wisdom & good experience?

There are some other circumstances connected with this affair which I will not mention as the Dr. confessed his wrong and asked my forgiveness which I granted by the best of my dying wife. And I would not have the references I have made to Dr. & Mrs. Cole do them an injury. but I do think you should be so far informed as to feel more charity for your missionaries in the field.

I supposed that there would be enough written by others to save me writing more than I did. As I had occupied middle ground I chose to continue to do so, not to hide any wrong, that I have known that you would have been left so ignorant of affairs I should have been more full.

The fact was just this. You was about to loose one part or another of your missionaries. It was thought best that Dr. & Mrs. Cole should not be invited to join us after their marriage, besides they had greatly injured their influence and the influence of the mission by their conduct, as you will have learned by previous letters.

I would write more but knowing some others will do so who know better than I, the facts in the case I will add no more.

I am weak and so troubled with sores that I am able to do but little. I will soon write of the mission more fully. this will not now admit.

Yours truly

John A. Brooks

Rev. J. A. Brooks
Feb 18/50
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Hau-Pendi. Feb. 19th 1856

Miss H. More

Dear Sister — We are more of us very well. Mrs Jeffet has been laid up for several days with severe diarrhoea, but is better. Charley has been very ill again, but is better, he is now at Good Hope. Mrs. Lee is not well and I am worn out. But we are in good spirits and not discouraged, for we are doing a good work. Bro. Brooks returned from Mo. Leppan all broken and sick but is recovering fast and will return today, he is here, and will take with him some of our luggage, as we are preparing to go up the Boom.

I learned yesterday from several sources that you were going to bring Abigail Decker back with you. I write this note concerning that performance. Every one of us protest against it and most positively refuse to receive her back again. We will certainly send her to town by the first opportunity should you bring her. So you can avoid difficulty by leaving her at home. We do this not out of

disrespect to you or Her parents, but as a protection to them and her, we do not want her ruined nor her Father grieved by the inevitable consequence of placing her among these children with none of the missionaries here to take care of them. As to taking her into any other family connected with the mission is out of the question.

Trusting that you will return to your labors invigorated for the work and ready to enlist it your Master's work with new interest.

We are your hearty cooperators in any good word & work and join in love to you & the Friends in Freetown.

David J. Lee

Remember me kindly to all & also Dr. Pratt & wife & James Pratt & Mary from their pa. H. Moore

Dear Mary and the dear of the children remember of me affectionately to me. I am sorry to hear that Mary is in the Barber in Freetown. The most in making in the making of your & those letters are mostly from Barber in Freetown. The most in making of your letters are mostly from Barber in Freetown. The most in making of your letters are mostly from Barber in Freetown. The most in making of your

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Monrovia, Liberia, W.A. Feb 19/56.

Dear Bro. Whipple

I write a hasty note, by the Steamer merely to inform you of my doings, & plans.

I have been here nearly a month, & expect, D.V. to put to sea, again, in my open boat, on the 21st, if nothing prevents.

I have been all over the Peninsula of Monrovia, & it is a most delightful situation for a large City – all high (nearly 100 ft above the sea) & surrounded on 2 sides by the sea – & the rest by the salt water in Mesurado River –

Monrovia is a pretty place, & improving rapidly – cannot dwell, in particulars now –

I have been up St Paul's – It is really much like America. The banks are studded with farms, farm [illegible], & villages, & chapels – & many 2 story brick houses – brick chapels – brick seminaries, &c – a sight that makes one's heart glow –

I have been Interior over 600 miles, in an Easterly course – It is one of the most delightful countries in the world – all high, & hilly – all capable of being cultivated – good land – fine timber, stone, water in abundance – fine iron – finest water privileges in the world – & capable of being made one of the greatest manufacturing countries in the world – but I cannot detail, for want of time – am getting ready to start. I have had one ill turn – bowels out of order – but had excellent health, while walking 7½ days interior – I have some valuable specimens, if I can get them home –

P.S. I want you to send, by first chance, by vessel direct to Monrovia, & charge to me, a silver pencil case, & good pen, worth $2½ or 3 – Put in letter, thickly enveloped, & direct to Rev Edmund Diggs – Care of Rev Francis Burnes, Monrovia, Liberia, W.A. & oblige Your Bro

Geo Thompson

Send my Wife a note about my plans, & I've left it to be sent in the Seminary.

Rev. Geo. Thompson
Monrovia
Feb 19/56

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Dear Brother Whipple,

I have received the goods shipped by the Red Warrior, except the 8 casks of sugar, Have no account of them yet.

I shall soon give bills of Exchange to Mr Nathan for near 200 pounds on settlement of account, and from one to two hundred, to J. Egzidio, and that will probably be all that we will need for several months. I am, as you already know, building a considerable at this station, and am getting on well with it.

Yours very truly D. W. Burton.

Good Hope Feb 20/54

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Kau-Mendi Mission Station
West Africa Feb. 22nd/56

Friends of the Mendi Mission.

For years you have generously contributed the pecuniary aid necessary to support this station. Many of you have yearly paid enough to support a scholar in this school. Many of your brethren and sisters have left you and come here, to carry out your desire to christianize and civilize Africa. Eight of them now sleep in our little lonely grave yard, beside three children, who lie buried there. Your most ardent desires and hopes have been kept awake and actively engaged for the success of this school and church. Your heart too have been grieved from time to time on account of the many deaths that have taken place here. In fact you have [illegible] had an interest in

this mission that has perhaps been cherished toward no other ~~mission~~ in Africa, on account of its reputed success. Several volumes have been published giving a detailed embelishment of the most trivial circumstance that has happened here from time to time — nothing has ~~not~~ been untried to excite your zeal in its support. You will doubtless be astonished to hear that the mission house is leveled with the ground, and all the white missionaries have removed! The school has been reduced to one half its former numbers, and many of those whom you fondly thought were here, reaping the benefit of your annual donation, either, have never been here, or have been dismissed from the school. Why all these changes? Why thus, apparently, scatter the accumulation of years of toil and sacrifice? Why such a waste of money, to tear down a house that cost so much?

It is but justice to you that these, and other questions that may be asked, should be answered,— we are aware that our action in so doing, will be censured— but we write not thus by way of defence nor appeal on behalf of ourselves, but to simply state our reasons for ~~so doing~~ removing from it, and to show the advantages arrising therefrom.

In the first place, this location was chosen as a dernier resort at that time, not on account of any advantages whatever it has always been regarded as a very unhealthy situation; being surrounded by low flat country, with a filthy muddy low bank along the river in front and an immense marsh on the opposite side of the river. making it a "valley of death" to nearly all who attempted to reside here.

There is access to but a few people here, the country has been depopulated by war, and we have not the privelege

of preaching at the large town, two miles from here. Recently however Old Kawo Mendi manifests some signs of being rebuilt, and if no war takes place there will be a beautiful town, where now it is a wilderness of underwood. This river is a small one, and not one of the thoroughfares of the country, hence our influence is limited to a small part of this vast field, which is all white unto the harvest.

This Station has hitherto absorbed more of the funds than both the other stations and what is of still greater importance, it has annually exhausted the supply of missionaries so that none have been left to open other important stations, or fully sustain those already opened. Good-Hope station is without a minister and there is no part of the coast where there is one so much needed as there, or where a holy devoted minister could accomplish more, in the cause of his master. Ano-Yappan Station has much needed more aid both in teaching and preaching. Bro. Brooks has not, until lately, been able to remain there alone, on accou

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of his health. Kaw-Mendi has always had two-thirds of all the missionaries in the field, and it being the most unhealthy station, two-thirds of all the deaths have taken place here. None who have taken sicky here have ever recovered their health while they remained.

These reasons have actuated us to remove the cause of all these evils by ~~atoned~~ taking down the building, reducing the school to a proper number and committing it to the care of native teachers.

In refference to the school - We think it more interesting and promises more for future usefulness than it ever did before. ~~Three~~ Months ago it numbered eighty schollars. A large portion of them the sons of native traders, who sent their children here to receive an education in order to help them in

their nefarious swindling, and cheating these ignorant people. I have dismissed every one of them, not considering their agreements with the missionary to allow them to be trained for teachers on any account whatever, for not one of the larger ~~boys~~ who have been educated here, and have left have proved worthy the labor bestowed on them. Most of them are the verriest set of rascals on the western coast of Africa. All this has been the result of a want of proper judgment in selecting the scholars, when this school was commenced. The kings and traders filled it, and the more worthy poor, who manifested less desire to send their children, were excluded.

We have just commenced school again after a vacation of two weeks, during which we allowed all the children to go home, and not one of those whom we wanted to stay there, have returned, neither have any whom we desired to return remained at home.

We now have fourty five children in school and two teachers, a man and his wife, from Freetown. We regard our school as being a nucleus of great good to these people, many have had every inducement to run away, but will not. they appear to rightly understand their position and endeavor to improve it.

I have been thus concise in my statements, that I might show you the ground for our claim on your further interest, ~~and~~ prayers and patronage.

But most of all we need more Missionaries to "come over and help us". We are fearful the amount of cares which we must necessarily ~~bear~~ will soon break up our small number. and consign some of them to the tomb. even at the most healthy stations. We need help - not incumberances - men and women who come because of their duty to labor in the vineyard of Christ, not as lords over Gods Heritage

to oppress those who are willing to labor. We need those who have common sense in their heads and the love of God and his creatures, in their hearts. No fame seekers, but seekers for perishing souls. No wild enthusiasts but firm, abiding Christians who can meet severe disappointments with fortitude. Too many expect too much in a mission field. Let none come to Africa expecting this people to at once practice Christianity though they readily admit its truths.

Let none come to Africa of unsound constitution or those habituated to taking poisons when sick, for to such, this enervating relaxing climate may be deleterious. but from my observations it is not so fatal as has been represented. Those of regular habits and sound constitution need not dread to come hither. For not one as far as my knowledge extends, who have died here, but would no doubt, have died in America under the same circumstances and treatment. I do not say that this climate is as healthy as the temperate zones in America

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but do say that any who follow the indications of nature, in the preservation of their health, and their cure when sickness does come, which is generally the case with new comers, they may enjoy as good health here as three fourths of the ~~charge~~ people do in the United States. We would not make these statements were we not convinced of their truth. Neither are the forms of disease incident to this climate so fatal as many represent them to be. We have treated many of them in the short time we have been here, for as soon as it is known that there is a ~~Phy~~sician in the mission they come from the towns around for treatment. We have found, that with Physio-Medical remedies, the cases are more easily cured and

require less watchfulness on the part of the physician than in the United States.

Trusting that these statements in refference to our labors and the discouraging circumstances, as well as the encouragement we have to toil on, will be of interest to you, we close with an appeal for more help. Come - for all things are ready. We will we hope, have one of the most beautiful and healthy locations in this region, occupied next dry season. We await more aid, to go up and possess this goodly land and deliver it from its thraldom. Come - we again call, for great shall be your reward when your labors are ended.

"Pray ye therefore, ~~that~~ the Lord of the harvest, that he send forth more laborers into these fields"

Your servant in Christ

David J. Lee.

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Good Hope Feb 24th 66

Dear Brother & Sister Cappan

It is the holy sabbath, a day of rest; and the sun is beaming forth brightly on the green earth, making glad every thing around: How appropriate the words of Hastings

"How calm and beautiful the morn,
Which gilds the sacred tomb," &c

with the exception of the praying circle in the house of God.

I hardly know how to spend my sabbaths at this station, being accustomed, as I have for many years, to public services. I expected to miss good sermons but not to lose them entirely.

We very much need a minister here. Bro Brooks preaches here

occasionally; but this will not suffice. We ought to have the Bread of Life every Sabbath. As I sat musing this morning upon the work before us, and our almost helpless condition, yet not helpless, for God is our aid I thought the Laborers too few. There need to be more men with their wives, sent to us, in order to take charge of Stations, that can be opened soon. The probability, is, that Wela will be obtained and I believe that Mosbwavi is already. May God send us more Laborers; and such ones, as will not, when they have put the hand to the plough ~~will~~ turn back again.

Ere you receive this, the Dr's letter will probably reach you. Containing an account of

my sickness. I stood just on the brink of the grave, but I knew it not; and although they thought me drawing my last breath, God raised me up; for what? Perhaps you can tell. But I am still above African soil, a living witness of his mercy, "who doeth all things well"; and also a monument of the Lobelia system. God has thus far crowned our physicians with success. I think, that system, well adapted to this climate. They urged me very hard during my recovery to return to America. I could not. I must make a trial, and if my health is such, that I cannot labor, then and not till then can I forsake the field cheerfully. I do not wish the Committee to urge me home, unless

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I think God will be glorified in my return. I am to remain at Good Hope, with Mr & Mrs Burton, and have charge of the mission school. Last week he gave my first African teaching. It is not very unlike that at home, in the western districts; and among the western people generally. Your little girl, Sarah Davis is quite interesting. Mr Wilson had left before our arrival.

I found many of the Kaw Mendi children quite promising; and I regretted having them in the care of native teachers entirely. You will learn by other letters, and the resolutions sent to the rooms, the fate of Kaw Mendi. I was present at the meeting of our company. Dr Lee stated, and has done so many times before, that the

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committee gave him authority to remove from such a station if he thought it unhealthy, even if it had to be destroyed by fire. Some of our members require written credentials. I have never considered the Dr a truthful person as all missionaries should be, and therefore have credited the statement. They do consider it a sickly place (I doubt whether there be any healthy ones in Africa) and therefore have razed the mission house to the ground.

Freetown March 20th,

I am here recruiting my health. Not quite two weeks now I permitted to stay in my school are another attack of acclimating fever took hold of me. It was not severe as the former one. I am improving fast. But I have given

up all chances of accomplishing a very great amount of labor this year. The water at Good Hope has become very impure, so much so, that a green substance settled in glasses when left standing but a few moments; this with our mud floor in the Chapel I think brought on this second attack. Soon as the rains begin we shall have good water. And in our new building a fine school room is to be finished. As soon as it is completed I shall resume my labors. When, with my pupils I am at home. I pray for me dear Brother & Sister that I may be enabled to labor faithfully. The way before me seems dark sometimes, but,

"When we are in darkness walk;
Then, is the time to trust our God"

I find, that He lightens up my pathway in his own good time. If there were

no God, no Saviour in heaven, where could we find comfort and support?

The rest of the missionaries were in good health, when I left them. We have only two stations now and eight labourers. Out of the company of nine that sailed the winter previous to this, only two are left; and one of these thinks of returning home in the spring. I wish you could prevail upon Mr Joseph Roy and Wife to enter this field. I doubt, whether this nation can ever be elevated so high as England and America in intellectual attainments, but they may be lifted far from where they now stand; and if rightly instructed, each generation will be far superior to the preceding one. Yet dear Friends they have souls to save, just as valuable as any in America. Did not Christ die for all?

Then try to urge some of your choice labourers, to this field. Let us pray more earnestly that God would send forth more faithful fast labourers to us.

Miss Mc Intosh

24 Feb 1856

Ans 22 May

Rec'd May 14

I am grateful for your kind epistle, and shall hope to receive one from you every opportunity. Please accept the small jar of quince jelly which through the kindness of Mrs Flickinger I send to you. Do not forget us all at the Throne of Grace.

Yours in Christian love

S. G. M. McIntosh

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Boom Falls Station, Mendi Mission
Mo Gappan House, Feb. 26 1856

Rev. Geo. Whipple Cor. Sec.
of the A. M. A. C. 48 Beekman St. N. Y.

My dear Brother.

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Here I am almost a helpless, useless load to our mission which I love more than all earthly good. Did I not love it so dearly I should have returned to America long since as I have frequently been advised by my associates. Yes I would have accompanied Mr. Shuey & Dr. Kamler with the recommendation of our whole company. I will say more, could I be happy and content in my native land when I was at home I would not have returned to stay as I have done. It seems as if my life was done up in this Mission. But lately I have been thinking quite a good deal and earnestly that it was my duty to abandon this field, not to save my life but to save you from supporting one who can render but trifling services to the mission compared to the expense of support. Could I labour, though in suffering I would most willingly stay and suffer (pardon me for using such a term for I am unworthy, but can find none less objectionable) untill my work was done, then go down to the grave and rest by my dear associates who have gone. But it seems that I cannot labor much of the time I am so I can scarcely able to get about. Disease in one form or another clings to me and holds me inactive. Some time since I gave you some account of my inability, I refer to it now not to excite your sympathy but to lay before you my views of duty.

The last of January I came up to this place flushed with the hope that I could resume the cares and labours of the station, and labor at least untill rainy season. But the next day after

I began to fail and in three days could scarcely walk. What was the matter? All I can say is I became too weak to walk. At the same time I was suffering from boils and sores and had forming a large Cataract over the left hand for a several days I knew not what to do. I could not get much hope or strength. At last I resolved to go down River. With tottering step and eyes and a heart that wept I managed with little help to get to my boat. All one day and a greater part of a night past away while we were getting to Good Hope. Here I met with sympathy & kindness with those who could weep with me. And we did weep. God bless Br. & Sister Burton who have made themselves dear many times by kindness and sympathy done in affliction.

The sea air at once revived me, in a few days I was able to get about, though I suffered much pain and inconvenience from boils & sores and swelled limbs.

During my convalescence all of our company convened at Good Hope for business of the Mission. All were forward to advise me to seek a change at once to start the earliest opportunity to sea. Br. Lee & Br. Burton gave me a certificate of their approbation and authority to draw for money to go to France or to Malvina. Dr. Lee thought a voyage home rather a stay in New England would not be well for me, but that the South of Europe was the place to recruit.

I proposed a further trial up the River, untill Br. Lee can move up to take charge of the work. At first this was opposed strongly but now I believe all are willing to have me gratified in this. Now I come to the conclusion of the whole matter in my mind. If I sink again soon to linger, and not die, I shall, if able, return to America.

But the question is not settled here. No! No! My heart is not at rest. One question more, and that is the great question. The question of all & most dreaded to decide. It is this. Shall I expect to return? In deciding this question in my mind a several considerations press themselves upon my regard. My sores, I fear, are the effect of the tropical heat on a Scrofulas habit inherited from my mother. So slight however, that I never felt it in America. If this be the case then I may always expect to have sores in this country. I am certain that I cannot labour on the sea coast if I can labor at all. The question is settled that I cannot labor long in the interior to save the expense of coming home. And from the hope inspired by experience I have asked you to allow me to spend a year in Sierra Leone as a colporter or itinerant. I would like much to try this plan before I give up Africa. Could I live & labor there till death meets me I could rejoice to do so. But I cannot think of staying here to be the object of the care and solicitude of Missionaries. They have enough to do to labor for the heathen.

On the other hand if I do leave the cold & native land, that seven years have passed since I have seen snow. I love the tropics. Then what can I do in America? What field of usefulness can I enter there? I know not. I cannot live for myself and be happy. I know not what to do. All is dark before me in that direction. I might serve your society a little while in lecturing & collecting funds but not long.

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There is one consideration more which effects the question of coming home. Which is the condition of my mind. Others may not see it but I have felt it for many months past. I have nearly forgotten everything I knew, which tho has been but little, yet the little has gone. A mental effort is exceedingly difficult. Often in my laborious efforts I forget the idea before it is half uttered. I cannot attend to accounts. cannot study. cannot rally energy & will enough to act the part of a man. It is a grief to me, that it is so. Once I could walk up to my work with a heart all I can, & will. Now I fully feel I can try, but think there is no use. It is humiliating to confess this but it is best proper that you should know it.

When I look and see that I have written such a whole sheet about my self my health I feel almost ashamed. I do not love to speak of it. It is of too little concern under ordinary circumstances, but now you are about to be put to expense in one way or another it seems duty to express my self fully. Looking to the Lord for wisdom to guide I hope to be led in duties path of peace.

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You have heard of that notorious warrior who broke down and humbled himself at the Kaw Mendi council. Well I will tell you what he is. I have been acquainted with him for the last three years and have known him to be the most brutal man of my acquaintance, and I can testify positively that there has never been no change in him. His whole object in his remarkable humiliation at K. M. was to gain the confidence of Mr. Thompson. His whole conduct betrays this. His confession was a puff of his great deeds.

He is living at Lavana about three miles from here. A few days since he became jealous of one of his wives, on account of which he took her into his own house (she having one of her own) at night, took his cutlass and beheaded her at a single blow so that no one of his neighbours were aroused, then cut her in small pieces and piled them up in the center of the house and in the morning took his leave.

Such are the bloody deeds of this converted warrior. His countenance is a bloody one. When the news of this bloody act had spread abroad the Chiefs and warriors rushed to the spot gave an expressive grid with the hand upon their mouths at the first sight then turned away to give the family of Funeh a grand palaver for the outrage, and pressing it they will make

them pay not far from $150 ——

You will expect me to say something of Kaw Mundi. You have learned the fact that Kaw Mundi is vacated, the Mission house is taken down, the school reduced and to be left in the care of a native teacher, that no White Missionary is to be located at Kaw Mundi. I presume the reasons for this change have been presented by those more deeply interested so I will not take time to repeat them. They were enough to convince all of the wisdom and necessity of the removal and learning from Sr. Lee that it was the wish of the Committee to have the station abandoned we have done so so far as we thought proper.

Kaw Mission

We tried hard for Wela but the strong Mahomedan influence and pro slavery prevailing, so that the Missionaries will be removed to the Boom field at present. Some things are now in favour of our getting Wela, and in a year we may be invited by the people to occupy it.

Wela

We did not know the influence we held in the country untill we began to break up the Mission house. Kalafa long the king of the Mission became alarmed the country will be ruined. War will come upon us soon was the cry from all quarters. Kalafa is friendly and wishes us to stay, to go to Wela even; the whole country say that we must have Wela! The people know the influence of the Mission against war, and now speak out in favour of our remaining in the country. We hope to see good of all this.

Kalafa

I fear from a note just received from Sister Rose that she is setting her face against the removal of Kaw Mendi. I would forward you a copy of her note with explanations did I suppose she would write to you against the measure of abandoning St. Ma. as a mission residence. This note is the first expression I have ever heard from her disapproving in the least the vote taken at Kaw Mendi to remove. She was not at the meeting though I urged her to stay in instead of going to school. Her answer at the time was that she confided in our judgment and should not fail to oppose the Brethren in what they thought for the interests of the mission. She knew at the time that the question of removal was to come up - and after the question was settled she did approve of the measure. At least she never said a word in my presence against it. But I have said enough without a special call to speak.

March. 12. 1856

A lazy imitating "Poora" or "Junior" (the pony) is now convened in the forest at Sandtown & most of our school have been taken from school for a season, on account of which we this day discontinue the school till such time as that meeting breaks up and the children are again at large, which may be two or three weeks. The other schools are doing well.

Why came the removal

I am happy to inform you, dear Brother, that my health seems steadily to improve. For the last few days I have gained much, very much. It seems as if I was to live again. I hope I shall be able to stay here yet a long time, stay here in our special field without even the necessity of going to Sierra Leone to spare the rains. I do feel thankful for I want to stay here on the Boom.

As soon as I am relieved from the care of this station by Dr. Lee, I think of giving myself entirely to teaching the New Testament of our Lord from house to house & village to village. Pray for me and our cause. I know you do but we need so much from above in answer to prayer that I feel to say to all pray for us.

If I do not soon return to America write on please send me Phonographic & pronouncing Vocabulary of the English language. To be had at Fowler & Wells 308 Bleecker Street, price $1.50

Yours very truly

J. Priest Doddo

P.S. I send you the two numbers of Letters to Children preceding the two you have: the first written was an introduction designed for the Monthly Paper of Mattacks, you would not need this so I do not send it. If I have health I will continue them. Please use my Country name Samana Gbengbe. It is a war name & signifies daring-heart strong-unyielding courage.

J. S. Woodbridge Esq. Nashville Tenn. Letter 75 Dr. Brother which you are at liberty to read publicly.

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Freetown 26 Feb 1856

Dr Lee, & the M. M. Missionaries

Surely
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Reward the Proud Doers:
For —
Judgements are prepared
for Scoffers, — And
Stripes for the backs of
Fools. As says Solomon's Prov.

Can it be considered one
whit better than Sacrilege,
thus impiously to reach forth
an arm of flesh, against
a Mission House razing it
even to the foundations
thereof? Do we not behold
with detestation the ruthless
Mob who would ransack pil-
lage, & destroy property? —
How much more nefarious must
it seem in the sight of Him
who looketh on the Heart?
when such as bear the name

Missionaries, set up at Public Auction, Mission, & individual property earned, & contributed by labors, with prayers tears, and strong crying to the Mission? — Thus desecrating it from a sacred to a common use!
"God Forbid it Almighty God"

Are not Common Sense, and Worldly wisdom synonymous terms? Would not either of them for their own Emolument deprive those worthier than themselves of house, and home, leaving them to the tender mercies of the Wicked which are indeed cruel.

"My weapons are not carnal but mighty through God to the pulling down the strong holds of Satan."
Paul —

I had rather venture myself among natives, than with such as bear the Christian Name unless their Religion would keep them

invading the rights of others.

How any of you should have the cupidity to meddle with Br Thomson's or my personal property in our absense is a question I am not prepared to solve? I am ignorant of Data empowering you to do so, having never seen credentials authorizing you to remove the Kaw Mendi Station.

Have we not been imposed on too much to trust to the verbose sayings of strangers?

I leave all in the hands of just and holy Being assured he will give us all right. — Knowing there is no Wisdom, nor counsel, nor understanding against the Lord; & that he will never lay on any one more than right.

On him I cast my burden well knowing he will sustain me.

Hannah More

Miss More.
to Mendi Missionaries
Freetown, Feb 25, 1856
read in Con. Mary.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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To the Mendi Mission.
& all Concerned.
Gen Station,
Sherbro Isl.

Mrs Martha C. Thompson
Plymouth, Ill.
Feb. 25/56
rec'd March 11th

wants $100.

Read part of it in the Ex. Com. March 12th. They authorized me to send $100 to Mrs Thompson

Send $100 $\frac{3588}{7176}$

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Sent $1. for draft
March 13/56
10 d/s $100

& I wrote on the back that I would accept to above number

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Plymouth, Feb. 25th 1856

Mr Lewis Tappan
Brooklyn N. Y.

My dear Father in Christ.

Your kind favor of Jan. 28th was welcomed on the seventh inst; just two weeks ago today. A protracted meeting was then commencing here, in the church of which Rev Mr P. Cottrine is pastor, and has continued from that time until yesterday. The church has been greatly blessed and strengthened - and about fifteen souls profess to have passed from death into Life during the progression of the meeting. Our Methodist brethren held their meeting previously - which resulted, as we trust, in the conversion of about ~~thirty~~ five persons - Thus you see that the Lord is mercifully listening to our prayers and rewarding our feeble efforts to promote His glory.

Respecting the money which I requested from my Husband's funds for the purpose of building a cottage I would say. I can very cheerfully accept Mr Tappan's advice, viz, that I write to my husband for an order on Mr Tappan for the amount necessary. Although this course will cause considerable delay in carrying out the projected plan, probably it will be the best course to pursue.

I perceive from Mr Tappan's letter that I had not as clear & accurate understanding of my husband's money matters

as I supposed. A short time before we sailed for Africa Mr Thompson informed me that his pecuniary resources amounted to something over two thousand dollars; and by some means my mind became impressed with the idea that the whole of this amount was lodged with the Ex Com. and could be called for at any time should circumstances thus require. I have never been ~~asked~~ authorized by him to call on any person for money further than this. "I wish you to act independant of my counsel & advice, since we are so far separated that consultation seems almost impossible". I will inclose a letter to my husband in reference to this matter, and await his answer. Meantime I will seek to rent a small house if possible. Mr Tappan asks if I cannot "find some agreeable place to board until I can get a letter from my husband, relative to the money in his hands". I presume I might do so — but it seems to me that this would be a very expensive way of living. Board is now very high, and to obtain board for myself and child would cost about five dollars per week, which would amount to two hundred and sixty dollars per year, for board alone — which amount I presume would provide me with house food & clothing if rightly employed. I received a short time since letters from De Lee written at Freetown, Nov. 23d. 55. saying that a native teacher informed him, that Mr Thompson was preparing to start home — and would probably come in the next vessel. This intelligence gave me some hope, but yesterday I received letters from my husband of a later

date - saying that he is still unable to fix upon any time for coming home - I hope I shall have patience - but I have sometimes felt that my husband was doing wrong in absenting himself so long from us, while we are left without a home - and in such trying circumstances. But it is my daily prayer that I may have grace to endure patiently all my Heavenly Father's will -

On the 13th of Apr 1855 I received from Mr Whipple a draft for one hundred dollars - half of which I prevailed on Father to make use of in our behalf - Of the remaining fifty I have bestowed ten dollars for benevolent purposes - and the remaining forty dollars I have made use of in procuring clothing books medicines &c for myself and child - I now stand in need of more money - I shall need a few articles of household furniture - also provision - a watch and Spring clothing - I request therefore that Mr Tappan will send me if consistent and convenient a draft for one hundred dollars - half of which I shall persuade Father to accept - not as an equivalent for services rendered so generously toward me and mine - but as a slight expression of the gratitude I owe and feel -

My health is improving rapidly - I sometimes think that I feel almost as well as I used to before I went to Africa. I should like to go back - but there are several reasons why I think I should not visit that climate again -

Please remember me affectionately to Mrs Tappan -

Gratefully & truly Yours
Martha C. Thompson

R.S. I shall write to Father Thompson this P.M. respecting the notes - and request him to send copies to Mr Tappan.

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Lewis Tappan Esqr.

Dear Sir,

I have drawn on you for $81.90 in favor of Charles Heddle Esqr. for freight by Brig Red Warrior, of this date. I am not certain but Mr Eggidio has paid it before this time, if he has, you will not receive the bills of Exchange.

All well, In haste yours truly — D. W. Burton

Good Hope February 25th 1857

D. W. Burton
25 Feb. 1856
advised of draft
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Freetown 25. Feb. 1856.

Dr Lee & the M. M. Missionaries

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For — Ps. 31. 23 v.
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Him who looketh on the Heart —

Mesto Mere
& the Mendi Mission &c
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To the Mendi Mission,
& all Concerned.
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when such as bear the name of Missionaries set up at Public Auction, Mission & individual property earned and contributed, with the toils, the tears, & strong crying, of God's elect to the Mission for its upbuilding, Thus to desecrate it from a Sacred to a Common use!

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I had rather venture myself with Natives, than such as bear the Christian name unless their Religion would prevent them from invading or trespassing on others Rights.

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I am ignorant of Data empowering you to remove Kaw Mendi having never seen Credentials to that effect. Have we not too oft been imposed on by the verbose sayings of Strangers, to take their words on trust?

I leave all in the hands a just, impartial, & holy Being, assured that he will give us all right.

For & against Him there is no wisdom nor counsel nor understanding. Solomon Pro. 21.30

On him I cast my burdens, & am Safe

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Freetown 26th Feb. 1856.

Dear Br Tappan,

It is with painful emotions not to be described I seat myself to address you. My heart is full of sorrow! Again I am a homeless stranger in a strange land. Two days have elapsed since I heard of the down fall of Kaw Mendi. Had it been by relentless War by the hands of ruthless Savages, that it had been broken down, ransacked and burned! Then I could have held my peace, & borne it. Had the pestilence of disease in any form made its ravages, I should have said it was the Lord who had a right to do as seemed him good with his own. But I will lay my hand on my mouth in mute astonishment while I announce to you it was done by those with whom I have taken sweet counsel & walked to the house of God in Company. Yes Dr Lee I learn has done the infamous deed with the advice and consent of the brethren & Sisters of Good & Kaw Mendi, in the absense both of Br. Thomson & myself & without our being consulted in the important matter of pulling down the Kaw Mendi Mission House! Is not the language of the prophet appropriate on this occasion, "Hear O Heavens! & give ear O Earth! for the Lord hath spoken! I have nourished & brought up children but they have rebelled against me! I am informed the natives took up arms to defend it but were repulsed by Dr Lee who would not have

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From the facts that Br. Brooks & Steffe have not enjoyed health at Mo Gallahan Sta. I cannot prevail & should consequently feel reluctant to try it. But will if you deem it best.

hesitated to have used his revolving pistols had he deemed it necessary. But as I have only heard verbally by Br. Flickinger who has just returned from Good Hope Sta. I do not know how the affair will terminate. They were then bringing the Mission Things & its effects to Good Hope there to be put up at auction & sold at the highest bidder! Is it just thus to meddle with Br. Thomsons or my private property in our absence? — You may recollect I paid you for my bureau, & brought money of my own earnings with me for other furniture. My silver spoons and dishes for the table have been in common use. These to you may seem trifling allusions. But when you call to mind that I am a year older than Mrs. Tappan, & am left houseless homeless and penniless among strangers, your sympathies will I trust be awakened.

My own Dear Mother who consecrated me to the Lord even from the womb lies low in the grave, peace to her memory, having died since I have been laboring as a Missionary in Africa. My Fathers handsome estate I learn is mostly disposed of, he having secured the house & home farm, to my brother for his support. As I did not marry to please him but enlisted in the Mission Cause it is very little I can claim or expect from that source.

Intelligence from the M. M. has reached me that I am not needed there. Indeed I heard it discussed myself before leaving Kar Mendi that a Man & his wife & a single lady were enough to occupy a single Sta. That number is already there for Mr Tappan & Good Hope.

Dear Good Hope location & arrangement of affairs I do not like. It destroys that quiet & repose so much accumulated of our age.

In view of these things I have renewedly laid myself on the altar of God, resolving to spend and be spent in the service of my Divine Master. Whatever he teaches is my duty I intend doing let come on me what will. Armed in his name unshrinking I dare meet the stoutest foe that ever bathed his hostile spear in blood. If my God tells me it is my duty to go and live in a country house & among the natives, I think I should not hesitate to go. Still I am aware I am not destitute of that shrinking female delicacy so much admired in our sex.

Perhaps I cannot better express my views than by transcribing for your perusal some lines I wrote [illegible] to my leaving my arduous labors at Kaw Mission.
Composed 26th Jan. 1856.

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While the work is before me to put evil down
I'll envy not fame, nor seek for renown,
I'll not spare myself or aught I possess
But offer up all in a cause so blest. —

Sin only can harm me, tho' evils may grieve
Fears too may alarm me & death may bereave,
With God's arm to uphold I'll venture along
My conquest is sure for in him I am strong.

I go with righteous should tears be my bread
Unshrinking I'll toil still looking ahead,
I'll cheerfully bow and take up my cross
Accounting earth's honors but worthless dross.

I'll do my whole duty all fearless of frown
To better the heathen, their idols cast down,
In a cause so holy, so just, and so pure,
Though myself am the victim, this cause to insure.

Good Hope contains a Grey Shop, a Factory & Traders House.
And I am sorry to say the temptations to evil are greater than
Country people will encounter — and some of our Kaw friends

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In perils by sea, and in perils by land,
I've ever been upheld by a kind potent hand
Mine anchor is hope, & my trust is in God
With promise for key I'll stem the rough flood

I will venture, for Him who is mighty to save
Though surges may roar, I'll on with the brave.
Nought have I to fear, since God is my guide
On Ocean, or land, the storms I'll outride

When my Haven is gained, life's storms being past,
When my Ship is secure, & its achor holds fast,
I'll speak of His wisdom so mighty to save
Who hath ransomed my soul from hell & the grave

With praise, & thanksgiving, I'll chant to His name
To the Lamb that was slain and liveth again
Hallelujah! and honors, most sacred be given!
By all nations and tongues, on earth & in Heaven

Hannah More

And now I will be grateful for any advice my Patrons at the Rooms may suggest.

I have confidence in their judgement, & desire to be guided aright, ever feeling that the path of duty however rugged, & that alone is that of safety.

Br Brooks has just returned from Mo Tappan with broken health feeling assured he has not long to labor for Africa. Dr Lee is so impulsive as to render his acclimation exceedingly precarious.

Mrs Lee, & Tefft have never borne the burden or felt the responsibility which has so often held my eyes waking during the crisis of acclimating fevers. I fear for them. Could I have a comfortable house at Kawkendi I might still labor on.

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Church Members have fallen into temptations & thus grieved us & wounded the Savior in the House of his Friends

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A word more relative to my home at Kaw Mendi. As I am not fond of roving having now resided there 5 years, & satisfactorily tested the climate. I can here say Br. Thompson, & myself have the reputation of enjoying better health than any other members of the Mendi Mission, no others having resided so constantly at Kaw Mendi. Now I ask if ipso facto's are not more conclusive than ipsedixits? It is a well authenticated fact that new places are unhealthy particularly on Rivers. We find it so in America on the Ohio, Mississippi, & Red Rivers. Do not Statistics of new places universally admit it? The well authenticated Data I have perused of the Settlements on this western Coast of Af. substantiate it without an exception. Dr Deane the physician employed by the Wesleyans, & Church Mis & our own when here in this Colony told Br Flickinger who is looking for a location, that he must not expect any new place to be healthy for a number of years, & after granting that the Banana Isles were on all hands accounted salubrious with both Mountain and sea breezes good water and beautiful scenery Told him if even there he should commence in a new place, away from the Chh, & Wes Mission Stations it must necessarily be unhealthy for some years till the soil is turned up & cultivated. Now at Kaw Mendi this process is gone through, & to abandon it for a new place looks to me ominous of evil. The precaution & experience in new locations are better than Medicines to ward of epidemics. & these are to be learned by

Experience gained on the graveyard & new comers seldom avail themselves of it
By cultivating the soil, and keeping every thing neat about our dwellings, & when necessary using chloride of lime, & Ammonia in fevers, & where Malaria prevails. I said to Dr. Lee my 15 yrs Experience on Mission ground had not been in vain!

He rallied me on my experience, saying "a little Common Sense was worth lots of such Experience" His wife joined him in saying to me, "since my experience was not based on logical premises it was good for nothing". So much for Common Sense. What led to this I had been cautioning them not to be impulsive, but steady and quiet especially till after their acclimation.

I particularized instances in the cases of those Sisters who came out with me, Br. Condit & Miss Winters who fell victims to their own unwarrantable presumptions. He said to me, "You are not going to oppose us in our new measures are you?" I replied I will oppose you in whatever measures I deem wrong or even impracticable. I then saw he was in haste to get me away, & as my health seemed to require a temporary cessation from the active labors of the School for the long term in which I had been teaching. As the native Teacher had arrived, it was not hard to persuade me a change would be favorable to my health. — Little did I think when I gave the parting hand to my Associates, and loved pupils, who gathered around me with so much warmth of feeling, some of them weeping aloud as they grasped my hand, & I gave them my maternal benediction requesting them to be good children till my return that the costly edifice where we had spent so many happy hours would ere my return be laid in ruins & those loved ones be sent back to heathenism. Somehow I felt

of it.

Sad as I heard them repeat "Miss More you love us, but these other ones Aha! Oyer!" Oyer! interrupted by sobs. As I entered the canoe and proceeded to Good Hope my sadness was uninterrupted, although Miss McIntosh tried her best to console me, telling me as I was going to recruit, cares should be banished, & my mind be at rest. I told her Dr Lee appeared too much like Miss Winters when I left her for the last time that I could not but feel concerned for him.

As my mind seems to dwell on my school which I have so long been teaching at K.M. allow me here to give you some account of it. And here I can say it never has been in so advanced and prosperous state as during the past year, & never has it enjoyed equal advantages. During the past year I have taught most of the time either in the Chapel or Mission House. I can say in truth that even in boasted America where I have taught many years — never have my white, or Indian Pupils surpassed these native sons of Africa in either Mental Arithmetic, Grammar, and I might add Astronomy, Philosophy & Nat. History, Botany, Phisiology & in writing compositions & declaiming I have not had their equals in America. I have just read this to Mrs Flickinger who taught there for months & she tells me to add her testimony to its truth. In Jan. 1855 for the first time I put them to writing Compositions, & declaiming weekly. At first they found composing rather difficult & like most pupils dreaded it. Still assisted & encouraged by their teacher they surprized both Br Thompson & Miss Woolsey with their productions And with regard to their Declamations, at first they seemed diffident being unused to committing

But soon with my aid and encouragement both by precept and example they surpassed my most sanguine expectations. And in lieu of the hour allotted they occupied 2 or more, & instead of being diffident, they took the stand boldly and poured forth eloquence in strains which astonished the bystanders. The workmen would leave their work, & go in & listen with the most profound attention, Head Men and members of the royal families came to listen & we deemed it expedient to have them translate, & speak in their native tongues. And Br Thompson prepared pieces on Country fashions, polygamy, & war its evils, & Slavery to speak in Mendi & Sherbro as well as Eng. I wrote poetry for the School On What I love & what I hate to see, & read it with their compositions in school to encourage them. Sometime when a moments leisure presented, I would write a stanza on a slate & place it in the hand of one of my most advanced pupils requesting him to write the next verse. Once when the class came out tardily I wrote, I love to see a class come out
With promptness to recite
Nor ever shrink or once give out
But answer with delight.

Again when their noise disturbed me I wrote
I love in special quiet, peace
It whispers friend be kind,
It beds the warring passions cease
And soothes the troubled mind.

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Sometimes I have written lines reproving them for idle & profane words & have found it to do good in more than one way. It has opened avenues of thought before dormant in their minds & led to improvement in constant reflection.

Though it has cost much labor amid many discouragements to bring the Kaw Mendi Pupils out of the mental darkness in which I found them shrouded, I feel that my efforts have not been in vain in the Lord. Many would doubtless have been disheartened by the gradual work of drawing out the minds of these ignorant natives, & teaching them to think and act for themselves. It has indeed been no small task imposed on me as their Teacher to elucidate thought, when their many compositions have been brought me on slates for correction. In the 1st place after giving out Topics to write after reading what they had written I would ask of them if that was all they could think of about Cassada, or Bread Fruit, the School Room, Mission Yard, or whatever they were writing about. Then I have suggested other things, & sent them to their seats to write them. In this way their Compositions have steadily improved so that Br Thompson's Book containing some of their first efforts are far inferior to some of the later ones which I regret to say the pressure of business prevented his keeping copies of, & thus they were returned to the writers without copies, which I should have endeavored to have saved had I known the School was so soon to have been broken up. With Br Thompson & Miss Woolsey we labored on harmoniously having the best interests of both School & church at heart. And it seemed to me our successful operations excited the envy of our Roadjuters. especially as he Br T wrote for publication. For other matters read a slip of Paper.

The wise man says Love is strong as Death; And Jealousy is as cruel as the Grave. The flashes of this Love of conversion cannot be concealed so as not to disturb the peace of the Mendi Mission.

I will give you some account of the Christmas exhibition of the School. We had compositions and pieces prepared for the occasion, & took our large school up the River & had it exhibited at 3 different towns. Maniah has been an out Station for the last year & Mr Ephraim & Sarah Margru gave us all the requisite attention. Our Scholars spoke to large audiences in Cotamahoo, & Warnhoo, walled or barricaded cities. Where the Palaver Houses were open to us on the occasion. Our scholars acquitted themselves nobly on the occasion Speaking in Eng. Sherbro, & Mendi, On Poligamy & its evils in form of dialogue, & on the evils of War, Country fashion etc. I also spoke against Slavery War etc through an interpreter, & with a view to raise woman from the degradation to which she is doomed among this barbarous people. I was gazed at with wonder, & astonishment being the first white woman ever seen by many of them. Br Thompson & our Interpreter also spoke on the importance of civilization beautifully contrasting the superiority of the F.M. School with the barbarity of the naked ones around us. The Singing too was admirable, as they sung sentimentally 'If all the land from east to west, I love my native land the best' &c. Our scholar did credit to themselves & as I trust awakend a desire for education among the natives, they could have done in no other way. Our Boats, & Canoes with flags & banners hoisted made a display on the Rivers, & the spirit glee of the children seemed so different from their War Canoes that, I wonder, not that it should speak volumes on the utility of Education.

As we passed Tissana we were hailed from the shore, And on inquiring what was wanted orders came from the king that our Mission Boat must come to the landing that the king and people might behold the white woman.
I felt rather indignant at first, & tried to persuade our Capt. not to stop, but as I was the only white person in the Boat my entreaties were useless, & I was exposed as a show to the ignorant rabble. Thus gaining their favor we were on our return invited ashore, & spoke with the people, and received plenty oranges, & our School declaimed under a large Orange tree.
Thus you see Kaw Mendi has never been in so flourishing a condition as during the past year. It has not only mentally, & spiritually but literally, budded and blossomed as the Rose. Indeed I do not think a single week has elapsed, & I am in doubt whether a day that our beautiful Rose Bushes have not been in bloom. We never have been able till the last year to have a flower garden. Those Seeds sent me by our Friend Sarah Hanxhurst have made our garden at Kaw Mendi the beauty & wonder of all that Section of Country. It occupies the same ground on which a battalion of reckless Savages once stood, firing their artillery & flourishing their swords, spears and Cutlasses, in front of the Mission House, when the schoolchildren were clinging affrighted to my clothes. The same plot of ground was in beauty blooming with American flowers when I left. I shall ever remember that eventful period of my Missionary life when I was at Kaw Mendi, & the only white person there too, & war direful war was raging all around us, when our school children

And that a certain evening I sent me & all the rest on the ground was apparently waiting for me at the Gate & that I fancied I could see in the eyes of the people as I passed by them a certain glad

dared not risk their lives, their liberties, & on the Mission premises, during the night, but crossed the river and lodged in the bush for many successive nights. Then it was the natives were looking for her down fall & war was making her savage threats, & telling the people at Kaw Mendi how easy they could take that place. It was then prayers & supplications went up for her rescue, and such peace pervaded my mind that I could sleep soundly with the army within hearing, & uncertain whether I should wake in this world or the next.

Now can it be thought by any that I should fear to stay there in time of peace with only natives whose confidence I have secured by long residence among them? I verily believe they would take me as a warm friend, & let me share a home with them if my health would allow me to make my home in a country house walled, mudded & covered with bamboo. But "duty is mine and events God's." I do not doubt their feeling differently toward Br Thomson & myself, for I have seen it manifested, & also towards Brs. Brooks & Pepper. It excited Dr Coles jealousy toward those brethren, also it has the of others. I view it only as the Nat. offspring of parental love reciprocated.

Can it then be wondered that those school children should throw off restraint in our absence? Is it more than we would expect in the absence of parents in America?

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on staying at Kaw Mendi till there was an opening for me elsewhere. Dr. & Mrs. Lee before left Kaw Mendi & had decided to talk

An example or two may illustrate it. When I last visited Freetown, I left the children in care of Miss Winters,— The girls threw off restraint determining to leave the Mission yard, & go where, & do as they pleased, & when reprimanded for it, they were impudent saying to those Sisters, they did not know as any law lived there now Miss More was away. And order was not restored till Br Thomas punished them, & enforced obedience to those Sisters. After my return Br Brooks rallied me for carrying Law off with me to Sierra Leone. It has not only been so with the girls but also with the boys in the absence of the presiding Missionary Brother. I mention these facts to show the influence of parental love, & authority in disciplining children any, & everywhere I can see & cannot wonder children can, the difference manifested between & the late comers, while the one leaves with Maternal affection, the others are looking for more than can rationally be expected from children so lately emerging from heathenism. Again all new Missionaries look for more perfection in the Kaw Mende Church than is warrantable. Let it be recollected the writer of the psalms through the man after God's own heart was guilty of unlawful intercourse with another's wife shall we condemn as past hope the unruly School boy, when a native woman with scarce a vestige of clothing throws herself in their way, & entreats them to regale themselves amid her wanton embraces? Some of the Kaw Mendi School boys have thus fallen

let as ever bear in mind our strength lies more in union & the numbers & the great quietness of our lives for the blessing of God on our efforts in a Mission field.

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and when convinced of their sin in the matter have humbled themselves before God & the Church & in due time been restored.

Another fact, Mr Bennett the Carpenter who has been employed in the building of the Mission houses at the Stations of K.M. G.H. & Mo Tappan He gave evidence of conversion while building the Kaw Mendi Houses was duly received into the Church there by Br Jeffs, & was a consistent member for a number of yrs. The last year at G.H. he among wicked companions he became intoxicated he was dealt with & suspended from the Chh. When convinced of the heinousness of his crime he acknowledged his guilt, & reformed so as to lead us to judge him a consistent Christian & after a most humble confession to the Church & missionaries individually He was restored.

I can but feel in such cases to forgive, considering the liability of any to err in times of temptation when the souls of men are tried. Is it not due to these who were so recently heathen to make some allowance when they fall into sin when we call to mind their low & groveling condition, their ignorance, & the prevailing religion of their country to be Paganism, & Mahomedanism which embrace all the works of the fleshly heart such as Greegrees country fashions, Charms & Devil worship & its host of evils.

If the wisest mans heart was drawn into Idolatry by his numerous wives what must it be expected the relatives of these natives will do? Can we expect so much piety to exist here among barbarous natives as to render them impregnable to any attack of of sensual indulgence? I must own it would seem anomalous to me to find them invincible to resist the temptations to fleshly lusts which war against the soul.

It is the want of unanimity of feeling which causes war & the host of consequent evils which follow

Since the wicked is true that "Illiterate

I must repeat it I expect to meet in Heaven with not only Kam Mendi Church members, but with others of heathen & Idolatrous nations And conceding this I do not deny the probability of hypocrites in the Churches. There was a Judas found among the Apostles, & he was one in whom confidence was reposed so much so as to intrust him with their funds & since he was an Apostate; what data have we to judge by, that any less than one in twelve of the Missionaries abroad & Church Members at home are better? Great precaution is indispensible in examining Candidates for Missionaries. And that all these should be reputable Church Members and able to bring certificates to that effect seems but reasonable, lest on others foundations for christian churches, they should build of wood, hay, & stubble & combustibles liable to be consumed by the adversary of Souls, when every mans work shall be made manifest what sort it is of. For the day is coming when God will bring every work into judgment, & every one will receive according to what his work has been. So that with christians it should not ~~too much~~ trouble too much, who is against, provided God be for them, they should trust so implicitly in his decisions as to raise them above the frowns of a world lying in wickedness. This will calm the rising fear & buoy up the depressed in adverse & perilous times, when every thing seems dark a light will arise to their mental view, & they will feel themselves in the hands of a just God who will not lay on them any more than right. With this view of events all is right or will eventually prove so as regards the K. M. House God will doubtless overrule for good to this

Since the pledge is true that "Union is Strength" Love is not division & contentious enemies weakness & ever pusillanimity.

People, & to us whose labors have been so abundant for their benefit. By it I cannot doubt much will be brought to light which otherwise must have remained buried long from your view & perhaps Eternity alone might reveal it. I have been so busily employed in Mission labors as to prevent my giving you more than general statements of what was done at Kaw Mendi, especially in the School. Instead of the pulling down of the House at Kaw Mendi, being a prelude to her downfall it may yet be so overruled as to be her upbuilding. It may have happened in an epoch to immortalize her fame, & this trial of her faith be more precious than that of Gold or silver purified 7 times. I hope & pray the Good Lord may so overrule it. And that her Sons & Daughters may yet prove blessings to their people who are now sitting in the region & shadow of death by carrying to them the benefits they have been the favored recipients of. That as of old Gods chosen people were delivered from oppression, from bondage, & death, even so now vengeance will fall where it is due & Holy Children will come forth purified from the furnace of afflictions and better fitted for their Masters work than ever. In view of this I feel I can both quietly hope, & wait for the Salvation of God. In my heart I can pity & pray for the perpetrators of that horrid deed. I cannot think they counted the cost or knew what they were doing. I pray that Mercy be granted them for the deed which appears so base & unfeeling.—

I am informed the Good Hope Station have gone to Kaw Mendi to send to the poor people there the news of their liberation. Thus there is hope of my note reaching you.

Their acclimation will try their souls, & test their faith in God how wise the arrangement that acclimation places us, & all foreigners so completely helpless, & dependent on the potent arm of Jehovah, that we must lean on him for support or perish. My heart tells me that I have aimed at faithfulness with my associates — I reproved Dr & Mrs Lee for rash conclusions, telling them they would be better prepared to judge of these matters after their acclimation when things would appear in their true colors, & without the mask of deception which invariably seems to blind the eyes of trans Atlantic beholders — It seems to me a wise providence that we have to pass through the acclimating fever in all such countries. Hannah More,

17 I can behold it in no other light than presumption to attempt pulling down a large brick & iron house, & removing its contents up Boom River in this season of year when it is so obstructed by sand banks as to render its navigation extremely dilatory with no commodious resting places — on water, or land. Would it not be better for unacclimated persons to profit by the experience of their Predecessors? And should not such ones be appointed to dictate them or better still lett them acclimate at Sierra Leone, or some place where responsibilities might not drive them to desperation. The legal is yet to solve as it regards our late recruit.

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March 11/56. Miss Moore writes to
urge her to stay so against her will
the work. Indeed she seems very d
cerns the mission work, wishing th
better all go home". For further in
can give all needful information &

Miss Moore to L.J.: "Br
above sus picion."

She intimates that Thomp
that there is not much love between
his wife — and that Mrs Fleischer

Miss Moore visits L.J.
& Br Baxter are not fickle minded & c
Mendi mission & joins the United Br

Miss Moore, in her letter
p. 1. Has learned, with extreme h
of the brethren & sisters of Good Hope &
herself & without consulting them, have
The natives took up arms
who would have used his pistols ha
p. 2 She complains that her p
with her pecuniary money — have been
complains that it has b
the mission & that she is left house
p. 3. Good Hope contains w
The temptations there are greater th
Old members have fallen into intoxicati
"The Good Hope location
that quiet & repose so much accum
p. 4. "I will be grateful for
"Br. Brooks has just
feeling around he has not long
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precaution." "Mrs Lee and Jeff
responsibility which has so often b
for them. "Could I have a c
state labor on.
a cross p. 4 "I am
enjoyed health at Mo Sappan stati
reluctant to try it. But will if qu
p. 5. She says L.J. and h
That being an old station it is more
he to

to Mrs Tappan: "I regret that Mrs Jeffo
will, for her heart, if I can read it, is not in
different since he died. I have heard her ex-
the destruction of Kaw-mendi, saying "he had
information ask Mrs Fleitwiger. I think she
that she ~~[illegible]~~ Conscientiously."

Mr Thompson's moral character is in my opinion
Thompson and Burton are not friendly to each other —
Thompson and his wife, or between Burton and
wiger I Mr Jeffo believes this.
. J. & inquired of Mrs Fleitwiger & Mrs Brooks
& whether they have not proposed to give up the
Brethren.
letter of 26 Feb 1886 to L. J.: —
expressed & grief that Dr Lee (with the advice & consent
Kaw mendi, but in the absence of Rev. Thompson &
stroken down Kaw mendi Station.
to defend Kaw mendi, but were repulsed by Dr Lee,
had he deemed it necessary.
private property — for because other stores &c. but
moved &c.
been intimated to her that she is not wanted as
ouscles & peninsulas among strangers.
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ation & arrangement of affairs I do not like. It does
counted of at our age.
for any advice my Patrons at the Rooms may
ist returned home Mr Tappan with broken health
ng & labor for Africa."
impulsive as to render his acclimation exceed-

Jeff have never borne the burden or felt the
held my eyes waking during the fever. I fe
comfortable home at Kaw mendi, I might
know the fact that brothers Brooks and Jeffo have not
station I cannot pursue I should & consequently bid
you deem it best."
herself have enjoyed good health at Kaw mendi
more favorable to health than any new station can
for several years. over

p. 6 She intimates that Dr Lee took advantage of her absence to break up Kaumendi.

p. 7 & 8. She speaks of the good done in the school – the happiness & improvement of the scholars in various branches – of Mr Tobias labors in the school & her own.

p. 9. She alludes to Mrs Worcester's labors in the school, & says that she, Mr T. and herself labored in the school and church harmoniously & successfully.

p. 10. An account of the Christmas exhibition of the school & of taking the scholars various places to exhibit their proficiency before the natives.

p. 11. Of the flowers growing around the missionary house from seed sent out by Sarah Hawes, & where formerly the savages brandished their weapons.

p. 12. She is willing to live there with the natives of duty or guess.

Dr Coler was jealous of the attention manifested by the natives towards Mr Thompson, herself, Mr Brooks & Mr Tefft. The joining of others around also. She thinks it prevents the children from obtaining instruction somewhat in the absence of their old teachers.

p. 13. The new comers expect to reap from the children & children members. emerged from barbarism. They also expect to reap from Chd members. She alludes to David – & the temptations thrown around the boys, some of whom have fallen but when convinced of their sin – repented – and been restored.

p. 14. She speaks of Mr Bennett, who got intoxicated – repented & was restored. We must make allowances for such persons.

p. 15. Judas was one of 12. So the superior & the good greater than among missionaries.

p. 16. Eternity will show that much good has been done. The pulling down of the house at Kaumendi may be overruled for good. May the Lord grant it! "In my heart I can pity & pray for the perpetrators of that horrid deed."

a comfort p. 13. "Let us ever bear in mind that our strength is more in union than numbers, & that without it we can not hope for success or even our best efforts in a missionary field."

p. 17. Difficulties & sufferings the natural of the house at Kaumendi of the year – & hence that it would be better for unacclimated persons to be by the experience of others. She predicts that the new comers will have souls tried & their faith tested.

p. 18. "My heart tells me that I have acted not faithfully towards my associates. Influenced by Dr Lee's strife for rash conclusions & cautioned against hold them they would be able to judge of things better after their acclimation."

Mrs Tefft writes to Mrs Tappan March 5th. We are taking down the house, thinking it is not fit place for white people to live. 8 adults & 3 children have died there. We expect soon to go to Mr Tappans Dr & Mrs Lee & myself. So determined to remain source her Saviour in Africa (This is so different from what Mrs More says & Mrs Tefft.) She is glad she went.

Mrs Tappan's letter
Feb 26 & 27
March 1856

Haw Mendi Feb 29th 1856

To Mr Tappan

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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My dear Mr Lewis Tappan

Dear Sir

I have many times begun to write to you, but before I finished my mind was always changed and concluded to postpone it for the next proper season, but lest I disappoint you, I will write you a little about myself and our place. I have been since you wrote to me, very well in body except that I had a little fever for a short time. I have had many sore temptations so strong that none but God has delivered me. O! I sometimes felt so indifferent and thought I could do no good and the devil was going to have me surely, and other times I would be awake and watching. The Savior only it is that upholds me that nothing evil is said of me therefore I will love and praise Him.

I have been with Mr Brooks up to Motappan helping him but since the death of his wife at Good Hope, I came to Haw-mendi to pursue my studies and have not gone back yet.

The number of scholars is greatly decreasing, many have gone home to their parents and many are dismissed without leave.

You would be very sorry to see scholars who have been brought up under the mission teaching as the heathen do, having their many wives and all trades instead of christian teachers as they professed.

It sometimes seems that the missionaries were laboring for nought, for when they would expect those for whom they labored these eleven years to be teachers and perhaps ministers, behold they became heathen traders. Why would come to Mr Thompson

and say they have forsaken all their sins, & now loved God, & wished to be received into the Church, but as soon as they are received what they turn back, sin is a little sweeter & loved yet, and therefore they will follow it. I have many times been ashamed to know that the new missionaries would come and meet the place so different from what it was represented, and the scholars who wrote so much to America, and the people about whom much was written disappointing the missionaries. After they have written home to their friends there with so many promises & got some even to deny themselves in paying for their education, and before Mr Thompson received letters from America for them, he was disappointed by many of them & was obliged to dismiss them on account of bad behavior. If there has been any letters written to you in which there may have been any statements with regard to any one of the scholars here as being one in whom the missionaries should put confidence & hope of preaching this gospel to his own parents & country people, I might say it was untrue & as sure as you would have believed it, you would have believed an untruth, stated to encourage the friends, the Society & Committee of this mission.

If you were coming here before you reached Haw mendi the news only about this place would be enough to verify the plain, unvarnished truth I have spoken, & you would see much more if you reached here than I have said

There has never been any scholars here that has made any improvements as he should have done, for only see! seven or more years since many came in this mission but where are they now! good books after good books have been

sent, and all have to tatters by ill usage, but none ever fully understood & made any progress in goodness thereby.

There has been more eye-servants professing christianity only to gain the favor & love of Mr Thompson, than true ones; thus serving God hypocritically. Sometimes the other missionaries thought it better to dismiss the older scholars & take and train up the little ones in the way they should go, but never done it yet. All the books & things that have spoiled & wasted in this mission, could establish a station & support atleast a school many years. No one ever reported these things because we have not the privilege, but are only the recipients of favor from a liberal Society. If all had been in earnest, and had taken hold & studied for this great work, the missionaries' labors might have been attended with success. God only will work for the Salvation of. An African can, with comparative ease forsake his false gods, charms, & country fashions, but Slavery, & bigamy or polygamy will be the last sins an african will forsake. Pray for us, & for the success of our missions, that Souls may be truly, entirely, & sincerely converted to God, & the charms and fetters of sins long fastened by Satan, may be broken, & the sons of Africa set free.

The Lord bless the Society & Committee of this Mission is the prayer of

Yours in Christ &c.

Wm P. Tucker

Kau-mendi
Feb. 21st 1856

Dear Brother Tappan

The within is the composition & sentiments of the author. It is sent with the consent of all who are here now. Mr. Brooks. Mrs. Jeffs. Mrs. Lee & myself. It is a true picture, but as he says, much more could be seen than he has told you. We are having a thorough renovation of every thing connected with the mission, and we think there is a better prospect of good to this people, than there ever has been.

We are all well. Charley is at Good Hope, he was quite sickly here, but is healthy there. Mrs. Jeffs & Mrs. Lee leave this Station in a few days. the House is almost down. I will remain some time to regulate the school &c. We have not heard from Mr. Thompson for more than four weeks he has been gone about Teneh. Miss Moore has not yet come from Freetown, where she has been for the last three weeks.

We have a good teacher here - Mr. Daniel Decker, from Freetown. his wife assists him in taking care of the girls.

Much could be written, of what is past, that would be interesting but grievous, concerning this station. but through Gods grace we will set things in order so that you or any of the committee who may visit us next September, will find this place something near right. Some of us will write as often as possible.

With our Best Regards to all
We are yours in Christ
David J. Lee.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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This does not look like abandoning Kau-mendi. And got they have data down the houses. How is it? S. H. says the other but they [illegible]

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Hau-Mendi Feb. 29th 1856

A. H. A. ARCHIVES
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Bro. Whipple

You will find with an article for the "Press", you can examine it and if deemed proper, you can send it to the paper which you deem most suitable for it publication.

I do not approve of so much trash being sent home from any of the stations as has been sent from here, for publication. I therefore voluntarily submit my articles to your criticism having confidence that you will do what is right with them.

From the tenor of your general letter I draw this conclusion i.e that you do not fully comprehend the relations that the missionaries in this mission hold to each other or the Executive Committee. You – it is true consider us as congregationalistic in our policy and actions. But we are so dependant

on each other, that it would be intolerable to have those among us that have their hands lifted against every other person in the mission. And as the Committee give us no code of laws, we are compelled to make them ourselves. And violators of all rules of decency and civility should submit to the unanimous verdict of their associates, without appeal to the Committee, until such time as the Committee frame regulation for our opperations here. I am sorry there has been so little unanimity in this mission, but they did unanimously request Dr. Collins to go home, and from that moment to this there has been a concert of action. You cannot appreciate our situation, until you see for yourselves the condition of affairs here. It is the unanimous desire of our company that some member of the Executive Committee visit us next dry season. Incalculable good would result from such a visit.

Bro. Whipple, for the sake of those who have labored here so long, do give us some regulations whereby we can prevent any more occurrences of the kind that have happened. Or else let us frame our own code, and let it be endorsed by the Committee. Yours in Christ

David J. Lee

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI 4247
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At my fathers, in
Roscoe, Ills. Mch 6th 1856

Rev Geo Whipple
48. Beekman St - N.Y.

Dear Br. Your favors, with others, were put in to my hand this P.M. and I hasten to answer them. Reason for not doing so before, is that we have been absent visiting some friends and were detained by colds — and could not return. We are better now and hope by remaining in doors to be exempt in future.

In answer to your request for my opinion as to time most proper for sending Missionaries to Africa I would say, 1st Avoid sending them so as to have them arrive on the coast in the months of September & October, or from the middle of February to the end of April. — I am inclined to think these the most unfavorable seasons, because of the great changes then taking place in the seasons, and consequent unsettled state of the weather, with the great vicissitudes of atmosphere then in their greatest extreme, from damp & cold to dry and hot, many times in the 24 hours.

The next is August and Nov.

With appropriate care on the part of Missionaries they can go at any season with comparative safety except at the season

of the Equinoxes.

I received "Ford on African Fevers" and thank you for the favor conferred. I have read it though once hastily, but with much pleasure. mostly because he thus was led by a serious Experience to come to regard those fevers as one in fact viz: Int. Remt. & Typhoid Fevers — and to treat them as such in Essence. varying only for phase, and Complication. a Theory that my first observations on fevers led me to surmise, and Experience in this western country confirmed. On that I have practised with what success yourself and the world can judge so far as it is known — For farther particulars in regard to it I must read again with more critical care: tho, the impression in general is rather favorable. allowing for the difference of climate in the two distant localities. I may at some the time give a more definite opinion if desired — I have had some correspondence with Dr. Witt of Cincinnati in regard to Africa. and it might be well for him to take a copy to compare with his Experience when he gets there. —

That was a part list of books, and cost prices, so far as I could remember, Since I don't know the price of, and for further it matters little.

Tho. we keep very close home, or in doors, because of cold weather

Still we have met here, a few of our clerical friends, who have privately expressed to me a desire that I should ask for a license to occupy the sacred desk as a minister of the Gospel, and soon be ordained, preaching if need be as we work, going along; Should I do so I would not want necessarily such books, but rather standard Theological works, such as you could get best, thus probably filled with fear because of my own sense of inability & unfitness, I know not what to do, desiring to do that which shall be best in the sight of God, & most useful to man. My dear Br will you not tell me what you think I ought to do; at least an opinion.

We met Br Amsden yesterday in Belvidere, & were glad to hear him read a letter from Br, Folsom, announcing to him the renewal of his commission for another year. He was well

We both improve in strength, otherwise about as we were. My Spleen troubles me still, & is as large as ever. I flesh up very much for me, but my color grows more sallow. Effects of the diseased Spleen I suspect. But for that, and colds in throat & head, we should be very well.

My dear wife wishes to be remembered to you and your associates in the Rooms, & your ~~Ladies~~. In much haste

I remain Most Respectfully yours, &c T. G. Cole

Rev. G. Whipple Cor Sect'y A. M. A. N. Y.

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Dr. J. G. Cole
Roscoe Ill
March 6/56

To Africa

1 Rev. Geo. Phipps

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-4248
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Mission House,
Sherbro Island, March 4th 1856

Lewis Tappan Esqr.

Dear Sir.

I have today given a set of bills of Exchange, payable Thirty Days after sight, to the order of Nathaniel Nathan Esqr, for one hundred and seventy three pounds, twelve shillings, and three and a half pence (£ 173-12-3½) on settlement of account to March 1st 1856,

Very truly yours, D. W. Burton,

To Lewis Tappan Esqr.
Sec. of A. M. A.
48 Beekman Street
New York.

D. W. Burton

7 March 1856

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of Bill £ 173-12. 3½

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Mrs R. L. Zeff
Good Hope, Md.
March 9. 1850

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Miss Alverda &
Dr Cole

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. II-2249
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Station March 7th 1856

Rev George Whipple,

My Dear Brother,

Your kind Sympathising letter is received together with the general letter, Accept my sincere thanks for your deep Sympathy for me, My health is very good, I had long since made up my mind to remain here for a time at least, Truly it must have been painful for the Committee as well as for us here to have Doctor Cole and wife return home under such circumstances, You request some of us to answer Miss Aldrich letter which she wrote just before her entrance in the Matrimonial State, When the letter came to me I had no time nor disposition to answer it although she tells us if there is any wrongs that she has not made reparations for tell her now She probaly thought at the time that we could not get time to answer it before she should be gone for she had gone from the Mission when I received her letter, Thus it was a very fine thing to take to the Committee, Mr Tefft was sick and near unto death at the time, The letter was I doubt not written for the express purpose of showing to the Com, for she never called me sister before in her life that I know of. I feel had they both been sent home long ago the Mission would have been much better off and the life of one good man for aught we know might have been spared for I feel his unkindness and meanness killed my dear husband. While Mr Tefft was up to Mr Yaffen he wrote a letter to Doctor Cole confessing his errors that doctor Cole had against him and asked

Miss Aldrich (Mrs Cole)

Cole

his pardon the Dr said he did not believe Mr Tefft was sincere. Before the Dr left they had a talk and reconciliation after which Mr Tefft sunk away and died in a little over a week Dr Cole was very unkind to him, The Doctor would sit around and order others to do. if any were unwell he would order them to take Salt and it was a very convinient medicine for it did not cost him any trouble, The latter part of his stay here he spent so much time with Miss Aldrich he attended to but little else. He was in her room a good share of the day time and often spent evenings in her bedroom with her without a light, And she has been known to go into his room in the evening and shut the door and stay alone with him till after all were abed, Do you think this was a good example to set before children?, I suppose the reason that no one said much if any thing to them They professed to know more than any one here, They carried on at such a rate that all the brethren and sisters became disgusted with them. When they were advised to get married and go home they said they never had thought of marrying and Doctor Cole said that his engagements in America were such with a young lady that they could not even if they wished to, And a few days he asked Mr Tefft if he did not think they had better be married he told him no by no means if his engagements were such as he had represented them to be and at the same time or a little before he had been asking Mr — to Intercede for him to Miss W, here, Now mark 1st his engagement in America 2nd flirting with Miss Aldrich 3rd trying to get Intercessors for Miss W. Is not this enough to show the rascality of any man? All these at the same time, When they were married they said they were willing to make the Sacrifice of marrying eachother.

And does not brother Whipple remember telling Mr. Tefft and myself when we first went home Let Dr. Cole come home when he had been here three years if he wished and let Miss Aldrich be advised on a slight sickness to return home, They were talking of going home, when they did go, On the other hand Miss Aldrich charges us with things that I know nothing of neither do I think she does unless she experienced them from her own husband, She charges us with Coldness Indifference Dislike Neglect Distrust want of Confidence Scoff Sneer Ridicule Slander Falsely represented charged with falsehood the great disturbers of the peace of the Mission Cruel in censure unjust unkind and ungreatful have been called a Judas compared to Satan These are ~~the~~ a part of the charges of a missionary against a number of associates I feel so Disgusted when I read this over that I feel that it is beneath me to answer to such a lot of trash however as you desire it I will proceed Do the Executive Committee believe all that her letter contains? If I thought they did I would not labour under the directions of the A. M. A any longer than till I could get a passage home I do not say it is not true but I do say I never treated any one not even a dog as she says we have treated her, Miss Aldrich came out on me one day when I was here the first time she said I had always abused her from the first time we were on shipboard my treatment to her had been of the most abusive kind I was perfectly surprised to hear her talk so I asked her how and in what way she did not tell nor do I know to this day what she meant I said to her if I have misused you I have done it unintentionally and am sorry for it will you forgive me She said that if is in the way, I do confess that I have laughed and talked about her which I admit is wrong, but she had so many

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2nd Strange ways and acted so bad I could not well avoid it she seemed to take a dislike to me from the first. I heard her tell Dr Cole once that I had abused her but that I did it ignorantly I did not know when I did it, and she said she knew that I did not know it the doctor said to her then why do you lay it up against her? she made no reply, she said but a few days before they were married that she had never been treated so badly by any one as she had by Dr Cole, I have disliked and distrusted Miss Aldrich (Mrs Cole) And she has told things that were not true about me, When I was here the first time after a severe fit of sickness Doctor Cole said I needed a change and asked me to go with him to Bonnth near this place and he also asked her to accompany us but she refused while there she wrote the Doctor a very unkind letter and in it she said she had refused to let me do things for her when I had offered to, and she needed to have them done for her I once heard doctor Cole say he had rather be bitten to a Scorpion than marry Mary Aldrich, I feel that truly they have been the great disturbers of the peace of the Mission, "Yet for all these their great wrongs I can forgive" them" and ere this hope they have repented before God, And I would say to Mrs Cole, another time when she has a goodly number of Errors filled up mostly against her own husband she had better tell them between him and her alone and not publish them to the world, Perhaps you will think I have gone into particulars too much but when charges are brought against me that are not true I wish to explain it

I do not feel to say upon any thing against them for I am full of faults and errors but I am not guilty of all of these not by a great deal, I do not justify myself in any wrong but I feel their conduct deserved to be treated with contempt,

Yours truly R, L, Jeffs,

P S I have sent a chest a trunk and a box belonging to my dear husband they will probaly go on the Judge Bleny, please send them to Sollomon Warner North white creek Washington Co N, Y,,

R, L, J,

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P S If the Executive Committee believe there is a person in the Missionary field who ever had or did treat any person as Miss Aldrich letter states it is their solemn duty to recall that or those persons from the field at once they are not fit to labour among the heathen

Mr Lewis Tappan

Jersey Liberty Co. Mark 8th 1856

Dear Sir

at the Request of George Whipple Martha C Thompson - I forward to you a Copy of the Notes in my Possession drawn by you in favour of George Viz

New york Sep 10 - 1838

$193.89 On thirty days, after Demand - I Promise to pay to the order of George Thompson one Hundred & Ninety three Dollars and 89/100 - Value Received, With Interest at the Rate of Six per Cent -

Lewis Tappan

New york aug 26 - 1841

$100.00 I Promise to pay George Thompson or Order one Hundred Dollars Value Rec'd on Demand. With Interest at the Rate of Six per Cent - per annum

Lewis Tappan

New york Sept 24 - 1842

$501-31 I Promise to pay to George Thompson or order on Demand five Hundred and one Dollars and 31/100 - Value Received With Interest at the Rate of Six per Cent -

Lewis Tappan

I also have George Whipple Note for Three Hundred Dollars Dated Sept 25 - 1842 on Demand - With Interest at 6 per Cent -

Signed George Whipple

The above includes all the claims of George against you or Mr Whipple in my hands -

yours Respectfully

Wm Thompson

N B all Well as expected -

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March 8/56
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Lewis Sappan

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Mr M. C. Thompson
March 11/56

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Plymouth March 11th 1856.

Sad news & heartrending
to lover & friends
of

Mr Lewis Tappan

Brooklyn N.Y.

My dear Father in Christ.

You will doubtless be much surprised, on receiving, so soon, another epistle from my hand. Perhaps you will feel constrained to censure me when made acquainted with the circumstances & reasons which have influenced me to write again, before receiving an answer to my former letters dated Feb 25th. Should Mr Tappan feel thus, I could impute blame to no one except myself — and yet I am conscious of having pursued that course which seemed to me the most economical and judicious under existing circumstances, after inquiring & consulting with my friends. But without prefacing further I will make known my errand.

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I have been trying to procure a house to live in by renting - but this seems almost impossible. Rent is extremely high, and houses are very scarce - This is owing in part to the great rush of business, which is pressing into our little town since the railroad came through here. Miserable log shanties, with only one room, are now renting for four dollars per month. There is one log cabin which I might procure - but in order to render it comfortable, I should be obliged to expend about sixty dollars, and even then it would be unfit for winter residence. Under these circumstances, my father and other friends with whom I have conversed advise me to build immediately a small house - I have felt constrained to accept their advice, and have made arrangements ~~to~~ with a carpenter - (Mr Edward Stanley) to build me a small house - or room - fourteen by sixteen feet with a small chamber for

storage - which may hereafter serve as a kitchen part for a more commodious dwelling - Mr S— thinks that he can build the house, and furnish the material, for one hundred and seventyfive dollars. Then there will be other expenses viz the foundation, plastering &c which will probably make the house cost not less than two hundred & fifty dollars. Mr. S— promises to have it completed by the tenth of April if possible, at which time he expects to leave this region for Minnesota, and will want his pay when his work is done.

And now my request is that Mr Sappan will send me, either from the funds of the Society, or from my husbands fund the sum of two hundred dollars, which together with the draft of one hundred (making $300—) for which I have already written - I think will build me a house, and provide myself & child with necessaries for the space of one year.

If Mr Tappan will grant my request I will satisfy my Husband & I have no doubt but he will gladly satisfy the Society on his return - Should he return - Soon, the rent of the house will pay for it - in a few years - Should he be providentially detained in Africa (which I cannot wish) I shall have a little home, where I can at least make an effort to "train up my child in the way he should go" and I trust render a more acceptable service in the Holy Cause which I have espoused - Please write, & send me a draft as early as possible - In haste I remain - Your unworthy Missionary -

Martha C - Thompson

P.S. - The little boy has been sick with a bronchial and lung affection - but is now better - My own health is comfortable at present - Kindly remember me to Mrs Tappan

Yours &c -

M. C. Thompson

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Kau-Mendi Mission Station, West Africa
March 11th 1856

Rev. George Whipple
Cor. Sec A. M. A.

Dear Brother - Today is such a warm day and I am so much wearied down with hard work, that I have kept my room all day, and will employ my time in writing to you - Though I have not much that is new to tell you - we are still at work taking the house down, a greater part of the iron part is removed and by the close of this week all will be gone - As fast as we remove it, we send it to Good Hope and store it there, in readiness to build again or to sell it which we will probably do, as there are several offers for it equal to its worth, and we can build a more suitable house, for less than we could get for this. The stone part, i.e. the lower story we will let stand and put a good thatch roof over it, for the use of the man who will take care of affairs here after we are gone - Mr. Brown is his name, he is about 50 years of age - a man who can be relied upon, he will superintend the farm as much of it as we will cultivate, provide for the children the necessary food and clothing &c. &c. His wife, also advanced in life, will have charge of the cooking and washing for the children, while Mr. Decker and his wife will teach, he is to have charge of the church also - he was a local Preacher in the Wesleyan church in Freetown, but has united with the church here, and will pro-

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be ordained, should he prove worthy of it. We have not yet concluded what shall be done with the girls. I had a letter from Bro. Brooks last evening, requesting me to bring them up there, as it would not be suitable to leave them here without the oversight of one of the Missionaries. I shall determine the matter in a few weeks.

It is rather difficult to get girls into the school, that being one of the sources of getting money for their parents, they are generally sold when quite young for wives to these country people. Many of those whom we had in school have been ruined by their bad training. I have sent off nearly all the larger ones, marrying them to the larger boys and members of the church, so as to save them from slavery. With all due deference to Miss Moore's good intentions, she can never have charge of any of the children connected with the station I may occupy. A more trifling, good-for-nothing set of girls could not be found among the heathen than these were.

We pay the Teacher and his wife £10 per month and Mr. Browne & wife the same; The whole of the expenses of this station can be curtailed to, at the highest point $8 00 per annum. and may come down to $1000. I have not yet had an opportunity to calculate the expenses of the time I have been here, but Bro Burton's account will show what goods have come from the general store. Mr. Thompson was extravagant beyond all bounds in his expenditures, giving goods out to whoever wanted them on credit, without any hope of pay. Then too the immense amount of unneeded articles he ordered from America was scandelous - They lay here in piles, and boxes full, rotting, being eaten by bugs-bugs &c. &c. all of which waste will be dispensed with —

Miss Mc Intosh has again been quite ill, but has so far recovered as to be able to go to Freetown. I wish she was such a person as would be qualified to do good here, she is so determined to remain, that it grieves her to mention that she ought to go home. She was as unruly as ever when ill, but as she was at Good Hope and I here I cannot give the particulars of her illness. Mrs. Lee & Mrs. Jeffet and all are gone from here but me. Our system of Medicine is equally successful here as in America - we have had a number of severe cases of different forms of disease and cured all. I will enclose a note from one of my patients, whom I have just dismissed if I can find it, thanking me very much for his cure and praying I may be long spared to do good to these people. He was a broken down case of dyspepsia - liver complaint &c. &c. had tried Dr Coles salt water & Quinine and got no better, he had tried several celebrated physicians in town, and received no benefit, and after a years suffering he came to Kaw-mendi, and in three weeks, he went home and has been busy at his labors ever since. Africa is not so sickly as represented, the people here know nothing about the many epidemics that rage in other countries, and were there no alcoholic drinks in Freetown it would be as healthy a town as is on the eastern continent, but every foreigner, even ~~some~~ one of our own missionaries, swill down wine, palm wine, brandy and other poisons, then have the murderous Faculty to finish the job. I have no hesitancy in saying - if men and women who are free from disease at home and are prudent here

they may enjoy as good health here as any where; even here at Hau-Mendi my health is good and a more unhealthy place is not to be found. I preserve my health by keeping up a free perspiration and not eating any thing tainted. All the meat that we get to eat is tainted and the fish much worse. I eat rice, cocoa & fowls. The sour flour I never touch when baked, and for weeks I have not tasted bread. In that respect I am well suited, the African food and fruits agree well with me, and the water since we cleaned out the spring is quite passable — I have just now had a letter from Mrs Lee at Good Hope — she is unwell and says the water there is intolerable, being thick and slimey: she cannot drink it. Bro. Burton is building two immense cisterns and perhaps that difficulty will be obviated another season. I will go down tomorow to stay a few days —

But I have digressed; by keeping up a free perspiration no morbid matter acumulates in my system and I am not liable to disease. Often when I drink, in a few moments my body is covered with profuse perspiration, thereby showing that the fluids have free course, and that is the whole secret of good health — i.e. an equilibrium in the circulations — The whole object of the Physio-Medical system of practice is to restore it, when deranged and then assist nature to maintain it, which can never be done by a poison whether Homopathically or Allopathically administered. Then too, there is a great advantage in our system, it needs no hoary authority for its guide, but wherever the body can live, there certain laws govern it, and those who understand them are not at a loss for precidence or experience to guide them in their restoration to a normal state, provided the means are at hand, and those God has bountifully provided in this and every other part of his domain

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The much talked of cold water bathing, has been abandoned in this mission by those now here, and I think wisely too, for it was not a healthy opperation. Cold water is toning & so is hot, but the temperature of the water here is neither cold nor hot, but is just at that point of temperature which produces a chilly sensation without sufficient cold to bring on a healthy reaction, no glow of the skin follows such baths, but a cold clammy condition which almost invariably produces chills when persevered in; this is the experience of all whom have I conversed with on the subject. I learn it the 1st time I bathed after my arrival. Hot baths are in every respect preferable, they are more cleansing more toning and they bring to the surface the eruption so common here on account of the heat. While on this subject I will give you a few more ideas in reference to females. This climate is relaxing and during their critical periods, great debility ensues, especially of particular organs, with liability to congestion and hemorage of the same, if at such period such tonics as Salt Water or Quinine are administered we might assuredly expect bad effect to follow, as in Mrs. Brooks case – whereas dose of arsenic could not more certainly have ended her life than a dose of Quinine with repeated doses of Saltwater during such periods, diffusive stimulants and diaphoretics are indicated and though great ~~debility~~ debility exists no dangerous consequences need be feared when correct treatment is persevered in. The forms of disease incident to this climate are more easily managed than those of colder zones.

I think it would be safe to send missionaries out any time from august to march, but the first of september is the best time to send them. We much need help - for we are few and weak.

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Should Mr. Thompson retire and take the boys with him as he calculated when he left here. It will be upon his own account. While we think it well for them to go we do not think it propper for him to take them. William Tucker is an excellent young man, and will do good, but the others are not yet fully matured and there is a risk to run. Charles Jones is not an apt scholar, but may make a good mechanic. George Caulker improves rapidly for the length of time he has been in school - he has been with Mr. Thompson for the last two months. Thomas Tucker is a lazy boy of good mind and tallent. he is young yet and may overcome his indolence -

James Anderson has finally been dismissed from the Mission for instability and want of trustworthiness.

Charles G. Tucker, the boy who was associated with James Anderson in the palaver, which so wounded Bro. Tefft, he is pleading to come back again, but I have made the conditions so hard that he will not accept of them. He is tallented and in advance of any other pupils, but that branch of the Tucker family are all good-for-nothing, yet educated. His object is to get his education here free, then trade for his Father. What a pity that so much labor has been lost. I am going to try a new plan at Mo-Zappan - I will try to get a school wholy composed of Girls and do my best for them - I believe it will be better in the end, to elevate the females and the males will seek the same standard.

C. G. Tucker
J. Anderson
J. Jones
G. Caulker
Tucker Boys

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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I close my long letter by giving you the enclosed specimen of "Missionary Literature", at which you will be as much surprised as I was, and I hope as little harmed. Miss More, some three or four years ago, signed resolutions to abandon this Mission in toto, and that too when there was war in the country, the time when Missionaries were most needed. You have the resolutions which she signed three months ago, to remove this station; and when she went to town she said she would not stay at Kau-Mendi if the rest of us left it, which we intended to do. She has never to my knowledge uttered a word against its removal, but has always heartily agreed to tear it down - until we received the within. Such things as these are what has caused all the difficulties in this Mission, though I believe this abusive thing has fallen harmless

in regard to all of the "lawless not."
This speaks more than any comments I could make upon it. None of the "plunderers" have replied to it, but I beleive Bro. Brooks has written to her.

I would not have sent it to you had I not thought it my duty to do so.

I shall not return railing for railing to her, nor will any of us mention any thing to her about it, when she returns, only to tell her that I sent it to you.

It is my opinion that she will not return at all. She went away in love with us all, and has since written some good letters to us; but, as these people say, this passes us, and we have nothing to say.

You will see from this the importance of having some guard thrown around us in such cases. Will the Committee not grant it?

Ever Yours in Christ
David J. Lee

D. J. Lee. D. W. Burton & others
to Miss H. More,
Coby. Mch 12, 1850
Read in Con. May 1858

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Good Hope Mission Station
March 12th 1856

Miss Hannah More

Mendi Mission West Africa

Dr Sister-

At a meeting of your associates and fellow laborers in this mission, held the above date - Your Letter of Feb 25th /56 was taken under consideration, and after mature deliberation thereon, in connection with past and present circumstances connected with this mission, it has been deemed necessary to the peace and unity of action among us, to send you the following address, a copy of which has been sent to the Executive committee of the American Missionary Association, and a copy retained with us. Your letters have also been forwarded to the same authorities and a copy of a note, sent with them, is herewith inclosed.

Address. —

Whereas - There have been from time to time many letters written pro-and-con between the members of this mission, that have been a sourse of ill feeling and unchristain conduct toward each other; And whereas these communications are always uncalled for and disgraceful to the parties concerned in them. But more particularly do we consider your letter of 25th Feb. 1856, as being unmerited on our part, and on your part exceedingly abusive, - insulting - and unchristain in its tone, - impugning our moral characters as honest, peace loving men and women. We consider you altogether unjustified

in writing it. For the reasons, that you well understood and acquiessed in the removal of Kau-hendi, and signed resolutions to that purpose some months since, also that had you considered your brethren so dishonest as not to be trusted with either mission or private property, you should have before this reported them to the proper authorities. We therefore deem it our christain duty to you as one of our colaborers, to faithfully show you your wrong in penning that or any more such letters to your associates, and ask you to retract your accusations against us. Should you do so, you will add a still stronger tie to our united action in these labors of love, if you will give us your promise that you will cooperate in our actions when unanimous, as was the removal of Kau-hendi Station and when consistent with the Glory of God and the good of the perishing heathen, for whom we labor.

Should you however persist in maintaining the sentiments contained in the letter, concerning your fellow laborers, we cannot consistently ask you to continue your connection with us, well knowing that the characters therein ascribed to us, could not give to you the christain fellowship so much to be desired in a mission field, and however painful it may be to us, we ~~cannot~~ must acquiesce in your withdrawal from us and return to the United States, or to such field of labor as shall be agreeable to you

We deem this action in your case necessary to forever remove if possiable the cause of any more of

those disagreeable and disgraceful bickerings, which have so often wrung our hearts, and been a source of reproach from our enemies.

This action in the matter is final, and we expect your reply at the earliest opportunity, as we desire to arrange our plans for the future.

We remain

Yours for every good work and work

Signed David J. Lee
D. W. Burton,
L R Tefft,
Martha C. Lee

Though not present at the above meeting, I can say I fully agree therewith

Signed George Thompson

As I have written to sister more on the subject of her note, I could wish to see her reply before signing this, but believing the above, not only just, but really called for, I cannot decline cooperating with my associates in the above address.

Boom Falls Station. N. Y.
McJaspan House, 15th March 1856

Signed John S. Brooks

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Mendi March 14th 1856

Dear Sir

My best regard to all of the assistance of the American Missionary association. You sent out Missionaries here daily to proclaim the glad tidings of the gospel to poor Africans, but among all of them we find George Thompson to be the one that has done much for the missionary cause. The Missionaries have left Kaw Mendi. I am a poor blind man here in the place am the leader of the class meetings and now the Missionaries have forsaken Kaw Mendi and I wish to stand still in Jesus till I see what God shall do for the place. I wish to labor in Christ on accoun of this Kaw Mendi station. I might have left Kaw Mendi and go back to Sierra Leone from whence I came but I wis to labor among my countrymen yet in Kaw Mendi and see what God will do for forsaken Kaw Mendi. I know that all the Missionaries have forsaken the the mission but I know that God hath not forsaken the mission and by God's power his gospel shall have free course in Kaw Mendi. I can tell you dear brethren in Christ that Miss More is a

faithful labourer in Christ. She has
done much more than any sister that
ever come to Hard Mendi. I does not
flatter Miss Crone or either praising
her but I see what Miss Crone has done
in this missionary field of labor. Yes many
around us in this neighboring towns wish
to have the gospel but this cant be done
without ~~something~~ some one going to
them. O pray for the peace and for
the revival of Zion. O pray that the
Lord may put it into the hearts of good
to come over and help Africa. Africa is
dying oh for help Africa do call. O pray
that Hard Mendi the head station may not
sink down but she may be revived and
blossom as the rose. O pray that the Lord
may not let your labours be in vain.
I am trying all my best that I can to
bring backsliders & sinners unto God.
I have a hope within me saying stand
still and see the salvation of God in
Hard Mendi. By the grace of God
I will stand still untill I see the
salvation of Christ. Though we are
seperated and have never seen each other
I hope to meet you all in Heaven.
Here we meet to part ~~to~~ again in Heaven

John Johnson
H. Mendi

on me that no more!

I remain your brother in
the Lord John Johnson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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FIX UP!

D. W. Burton
Mch 15 1856.

good pay
June 1856

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Dear Brother Whipple,

I wish you to send two Chain Pumps, for cisterns at Good Hope, with Zink tubing, and Iron Curb, as in the pattern that I send you. The cisterns are 12 feet deep from the top of the lid, to the bottom of the cistern. They are needed very much, and I hope you will send them without fail, and as soon as possible. We will also need a lot of 4 inch bolts, for rebuilding the Iron house that comes from Kaw Mendi. They cost but little, & I think you had probably better send 500 as we often need them. You generally send us from 50 to 100 lbs each of Hams & Butter, at one time, and the cost after adding the 88⅔ per cent, is for the hams 20 cents, and Butter from 20 to 27 cents. You will see your

wood cutting tools

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Bolts

Jan 1850

2 doz Iron bolts

Fruitown bills, that we purchase probably 4 times as much of both, there, as you send to us, and pay from 30 to 36 cents per ℔ for hams, and from 42 to 48 cents " " " Butter, and not near so good an article as you can send us. We are not Grahamites, and we have a considerable to do, which will account for our being great eaters. If you will send Hams & Butter prepared as the last, it will keep for many months. We also buy much more sugar in town, than we get from you, and pay from 50 to 100 percent more for it, than it costs in New York. We need at least 6 Bbls in a year. Soap is one of the best articles of trade that we can have, but we can never have it to sell. It costs 6½ cents in New York, and I could sell a box every week here, for from 15 to 20 cents per ℔, for fowls, fish &c. that we must buy. We will need 2 Half Bbls or 4 qr bbls of good Pork with the next supplies. also 6 Half

Bbls Flour

I wish you to make provision for some one to take charge of Good Hope, to release me in one year from this time, as it is my intention then to return to America, if my life is spared.

Please send 4 prs each No 6, cloth Gaiters & Thin soled Buskins for Mrs Burton. Mrs Lu says, Please send the Stove that Mr Steward presented to them, for their use at Mrs Sappan.

Very truly yours,

D. W. Burton.

2 Bbls

Good Hope March 15/54

sent 24 boxes

2 Half barrels (Ca) Brot & sent

Brot. June 1846

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Freetown 17th March 1856.

Rec'd St. Mac.
March 17/56

To the American Missionary Association.

Honored & revered Patrons,

The sad intelligence has reached us that the Boat in which Br. Thompson went to Liberia in is lost, & they have already raised a loud cry at Kaw Mendi, & I cannot think the weeping or wailing has been feigned. The report is that some of them are lost overboard, & that a man of War picked up some of them we have some faint hope that Br. Thompson may be safe & for this I will continue to pray till the clouds of doubt disperse, & facts are brought to light. But as no time is to be lost to save the Mendi Mission I seat myself with a bleeding heart to state grievances, & beg redress. Tis not for myself I plead, God will take care of me while I live, & since earth has lost its charms, I only desire to live to do good & hope & pray that whenever God has done serving himself with me, that he will in mercy remove from this vale of tears & crushed hopes, to a better & more enduring inheritance. I have so often prayed this prayer that my faith lays hold on the promise & I verily believe I never shall live to be a burden to any one. Still I feel as willing to glorify God by suffering as by enjoying. & pledge myself to

I feel assured that I still have a Father in Heaven who will lay on me any more than I can bear, & if I recover, I shall feel that I had received nothing.

follow my Savior as willingly through evil as through good report, & though by any I may be accounted a deceiver & I will prove true. While I live I resolve to be true to God, & true to the Mendi Mission, God assisting me I never will abandon the good work of laboring for the salvation of precious undying souls while I live. I know the work is God's; but since his prerogative is to work by means & he has ever chosen the weak things, & things despised to confound the mighty that no flesh might glory in his presence, may I not hope still to be an agent of light to trodden down despised Africa? Yes my Patron, my Benefactor, my hope is in God, that through your agency the death blow which has been aimed at Mendi Mission will be healed. I think God has shown me how it can be done, & how alone it can. If Dr. Thompson's voice is silenced & his heart spared the pang which must almost rend it asunder if he lives to come back. And this is the way that you immediately transplant from some tropical climate a band of brethren & sisters a tried & choice band, of sterling worth of quiet, persevering intellectual minds whose chief solicitude shall be no less than the salvation of the people among whom they labor. Such a band united in the bond of christian union can yet save Mendi. Your next duty is to sift Mendi Miss. as wheat is sifted, and try us as gold is tried, & clear the field of Rebels! Let every trouble be recalled,

I unlisted by flying reports that they have cast to hell the Mendi since receiving my whole sentiment & feeling against Lincoln

Then & not till then Mendi Mission stands on a firm basis. Pass on me what sentence you please the sincerity of my heart tells me I shall never repent, or change my views on what I now write. Live or die, pull down, or build up, I am for the Mendi Mission, & for K. M. Station. Here are my views gratis, & I think inspired by God I have given them. [illegible] a sinking Mission.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

I must own I have never been willing to grant Br. Brooks could be false to the Miss. I have never learned till this time or recently that he had so much envy toward Br. Thomson may it prove false that he is sending private letters for publication to refute the public statements of Br. Thomson. I hear Mr. Burton is aiming at the swift destruction of Kaw Mendi, & that he evinced joy at the fall of Kaw Mendi, & the remark was made to me that he would be just as much elated if Mo Taffma was wrecked, & sapped to its foundation. I ask can he be a christian if he is thus seeking to undermine the Mission?

Doct. & Mrs. Dr Lee I have not been willing to concede the point that it was possible that your hon. body should have employed them in this infantile mission field just emerging from the darkness of heathenism, when they could find no church in all Christendom they deemed pure enough to receive them. But Miss Mc Intosh tells me she think it even so. Wo to any such who expect to find a Miss. Church pure.

Note. I send to Br. Taylor. I wish it might be seen so but for fear of the wrath of Br. Brooks. I pray the Wesleyan Methodist may not see it. They are employing a Wesleyan Teacher at Kaw Mendi who uses his influence against us.

It was on Friday the 14 inst our friends, from Good Hope arrived with this sad intelligence. I had up to that time felt implicit confidence in Dr. Thompson's integrity and faithful adherance to the Mendi Mission.

I hoped on his arrival to devise means for her rescue. I do not know but I trusted too much in his fidelity, his zeal, his order in accomplishing whatever he undertook, & too little in that God who holds in his hand the destiny of nations, & the fate of missions. But the elysive charm is dispelled, & would I could tell you what it cost me, but such sickening heart scenes are not to be portrayed on paper. Suffice it to say I had a severe headache & was glad to elude observation by taking to my bed, & giving vent to my agonized feelings in a flood of tears. It was then I felt that I was drinking the bitter dregs I had said I would not spurn. It was then I felt how transitory and fleeting were all earthly things, & that every loved, & valued thing was wrested from me for in my haste I did not bring even a bible with me, but as my memory was so well stored, I could revert to precious & consoling promises which raised me above earth, & made me willing to press the bitter cup to lips, & drink off the veriest dregs, & pray for more if necessary to wean me from earth & lead me to take any humble place in his vineyard. After praying & thus wrestling with God & begging him to spare no chastisement he saw needfull to bring me where I should be

instability as he left his school & home without letting even his employers or wife know where he was going. Mr. Merrill

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7260
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Mission Station
March 18th 1856

Rev. George Whipple
Cor. Sec A. M. A.

Dear Brother,

Since I sent you the letter of Miss More's, which called for the action herein noticed, I visited Good Hope when we held a meeting and adopted the address which has been sent to Miss More — We trust this will end these harrassing letters, which have caused more trouble than any thing else in the Mission. —

We hope Miss More will return to us, but it must be upon the conditions stated in the address —

Again I entreat of the Committee for the sake of the suffering Missionaries who have to bear these things — Give us the authority necessary to Act in such cases — then they will be less frequent. — Yours in Christ D. J. Lee

D. J. Lee. Wood Hole
Mch 18/55
read in Com. Mery.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. A-D61
FISK UNIV.

Freetown 19th March 56

This day having been specially devoted to God in fasting & prayer that I might know my duty and pledging myself that with the help of God I will perform it how trying even to flesh & blood it may seem God hath revealed it to me by his Spirit. It is this that as soon as Providence opens the way that I return to my labors at Kpaw Mendi & labor on singlehanded i.e. the only white person there, & thus by my virtuous conduct prove to the natives that at least one virtuous woman does exist, which thing they deem impossible. So help me God. Amen.

Attest.

Hannah More

This was written more than a week before receiving any letter from the Mission. And I forward the same to you for your Committee

Shall I go or not to Kpaw & live in a country House with Natives? or Country

Miss H. More
Covenant.
March 19/56

read in Con. Mtg.

Covenant of Duty.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1 1262
FISK UNIV.

Boom Falls Station, M.J. House, 24 March 1886

A meeting was convened at Kawtende on the 6th of December 1885 of the following Missionaries Drs. D.J. & M.C. Lee Rev. Geo. Thompson Mrs L.R. Jeffs Miss. Mackintosh & J.S. Brooks. At which meeting Mr Thompson offered the following resolution in his own handwriting which was unanimously adopted and afterwards agreed to by Mrs & Miss & Mr & Mrs Burton of Good Hope station viz.

Resolved Provided a suitable place can be secured, Kaw Mendi station be moved at the earliest date possible. And that hereafter Kaw Mendi station be regarded an out station, and be placed under the care of a native assistant.

John S. Brooks.

✓ John S. Brooks
24 March 1856
Copy of Vote passed
5 Dec 1855
for removal of
Kaw Mends
Station
Res was offered
by Gr Thompson
& afterwards
agreed to by
Mess Moore
&
Mr Sellers Barton

Rec'd 22 May 1856

A. M. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-2863
FISK UNIV.

Mr Nathan a trader at Good Hope boasts that he has contributed for the other M. Missionaries to convert it into a national Produce Magazine & to the discontent of the natives.

Fretown 27 March, 56

Revd Fathers,

I last eve. received a communication from the Mon Mission which greatly surprises me. In it I am accused of things I am entirely innocent of, & its being only a personal assault I can bear it much better than the blow aimed at my Fathers House. I well recollect with what meekness our Savior bore personal injuries, & insults, & the blessings invoked on those who have all manner of evil said of them falsely. I rejoice that my heart does not accuse me of either calumniating my brethren or sisters in the field, or desiring to leave the work, & I defy them ever to prove that I have ever desired it. On the contrary I deny any secret desire of any such thing. It never passed my mind to abandon

the Mission work, & I feel called on to state that I have never for a moment doubted that my call to labor in the Mende Mission was of, & from the Lord, & have declared both in public, & in private my intention never to abandon this field till my call was as plain from God to leave as to come to the Mendi Mission.

As to the notes I have sent you which are now on board the Ship for America. Read them & then judge for yourselves if it is unchristian thus to quote Scripture and ask such questions as I have? I must say that any concessions on my part seem to be uncalled for. But when ever I am convinced they are due they shall not be withheld. I have sufficient proof from the Missionaries, & teacher, & school, & the domestics that it was my intention to return in a few weeks to Kaw Mendi & go on with my Missionary labors. I told Dr & Mrs Lee I did not to leave

I do not accuse my opposers of the things alleged, I do but quote scripture & ask questions & leave them to apply the one & reply to the other.

until a new Station was opened for me, & the buildings finished. And I feel called on to state publicly that the subject of pulling down the mission House was never discussed in my presence or I should certainly have protested against it.
With regard to the removal of the Mission to Wela. As the meeting commenced at my usual school hour, the school being on my hands & no native teacher at the Mission, I did not feel it my duty to leave my post for the meeting. True I did not think they would carry it. I felt sure Dr. Thompson would oppose it. Wela was not contracted for then, & I suppose is not now. I then told them I had confidence in their united decisions, & would not oppose them. On my return from school I was greatly surprised when told the vote for removing Ham Mun was unanimously carried. And on the document being presented to me for my signature I demurred till Dr Thomson assured me it

I do not now feel the same confidence in the missionary brethren as I did before their late conduct developed them. H. More

Miss H. More

Mch 27, 1850

must be a long time before a Station could be in readiness for so large a boarding school as ours at Kaw Mendi, & as to the Station being removed it has not been done, but pulled down & the school dispersed. Dwight Mission among the Cherokee Indians, where I formerly labored under the patronage of the A. B. C. F. M. was actually removed from Dwight Arks. to the Indian Territories west of those states, the new Station retaining the same name as the old. Though Rev. Dr. Butler & Worcester, those venerable Miss who suffered in the Georgia Penitentiary, at the period of the removal of the Indians, affirm it put their Missionary operations back 20 years, & cost the lives of many worthy citizens, & some families fell victims to the privations of a new settlement. And Missionary lives too were the result of building that new Station, & the hardships they endured seemed almost incredible.

H. More

Mr Walters, explanation in getting the mission for sins & did grieve me exceedingly for it felt the effect was injurious

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-1264
FISK UNIV.

Oberlin town 28 March 1856.

With regard to the Letters, or Notes I sent to Br. Burton they were written in haste, & amid numerous vocations, and without any intent to a public investigation. I submit them to your candid criticisms with good grace, and hoping they may do me good in my future correspondence, & having the most entire confidence in your decisions as it regards myself.—

I feel it due to me here to state a fact.—

When Mr Burton was at Kaw Mendi & we were alone in the study there Mr. Burton told me he had a large pile of letters, & notes, which I had from time to time sent him. I was surprised, & told him I had supposed they were long ago destroyed.

I also told Br. Burton if he desired it, I would never write him again, but I might wound his feelings, he told me never to mind, but write to him as I thought best.

H. Mar

Miss H. More

Mch 26/56

He said, Oh No! I keep them very choice! But added, that he thought, I was too severe on him. I then told him I had meant all in Christian love and kindness. But if I had inadvertently wounded his feelings, I would now on my knees beg his pardon! He forbade me & we both wept, & parted in peace & Christian fellowship, as I supposed.

I do not recollect of an unkind or unchristian word, ever passing between us, or Dr. or Mrs. Lee. As Doct. Lee states I left the Mission "in love with All."

I feel that these false accusations have been got up since my departure to prevent my return that the Mission might the more readily be broken up. May this prove only a surmise, & the Mission find stanch friends in its present laborers is my sincere desire H. More

As I left the Mission in love with All, it is possible I may be guilty of some things which have so alarmed the brethren

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-1265
FISK UNIV.

Copy of extracts of a letter from Miss More, to Geo Thompson.

Freetown March 28/56

"As regards my leaving the Mendi Mission, I have never desired it, as my communications, both public & private, abundantly testify. For one of the first things which I did, after getting to town was to write to the Ex. Com for permission to remain at Kaw Mendi, & look after the Ch & School there. This communication was forwarded by the first Mail Steamer, & before I knew there was a desire to tear down the Mission House. Show me the person who ever heard me say, I would not stay at K.M. alone.

As to saying my Missionary Associates, were Proud docs, I deny it. I only quoted that passage of Scripture, without implicating any one. But if any felt guilty enough to appropriate it to themselves, what is that to me.

Is it not often the case with the faithful Preacher, & the heart stricken sinner, whose conscience needs no answer, that he appropriates that to himself, the Preacher never designed particularly for any one? - Again, I asked the question "What would you think of the ruthless mob" &c - Did this implicate any innocent person? If it did, such was not the design of the Writer. Neither was the query of "How more nefarious" &c, or that other question "How any could have the cupidity" &c. I now ask, if I had not a perfect right to put these questions? Or is it my duty to fall on my knees, & beg pardon, for quoting Scripture, & asking questions? Wherever convinced it is my duty so to do, I hope to be found in the performance of the same. Till then I wait the decision of the Committee.

As it relates to the removing of Raw Mouth, where shall I look for it now? To what new station is that school removed? I wait a reply. Pulling down, & dispersing are quite another thing: from removing. The station I labored so long at among the Cherokees had been removed from a State, retaining the same name - Dwight Mission School, Dall. But the sickness, & difficulties, put the Mission back 20 years Dr Butler said —

" March 28/56 — ~~Sent to the Rooms~~

~~"Respected Patrons, with regard to the letters or notes I have sent Bro Buxton, they were written~~

"What think ye? That I had not much rather "take joyfully the spoilation of my goods", well assured that in heaven I have a better, & more enduring inheritance, which none can wrest from me - than basely perjure my conscience by retracting what I have not for a moment doubted was dictated by the Spirit of God - because certain heart-stricken persons should consider it applicable to themselves? May I rather prepare the stoning of Stephen, than violate the rights of conscience

H Moore

Copy
Mrs Moore's letter
to
Geo. Thompson
respecting the removal
of Raw mouth mission
& her letter protesting
against it
recd by G. T. in his
letter envelope 22 May '56

Rev. J. S. Brooks
Good Hope
Mch 31/02

Expenses

Mailed at Salem
Jun 30
Rec'd at N.Y. July 1 1856
Read in Conf. July 1

U.S. STORE A.M.A. NO. 48 PARK ROW

Room Falls Station M. M.
Mo Jappan House. Mar. 31, 1866.

Rev. Geo. Whipple Cor. Sec.
of A. M. A. New York.

My dear Brother.

I have been having some smitings of conscience for so long neglecting to report expenses. You well know I have been away from Mo Jappan much of the time so I have to depend on the accuracy of native help who have had the care of the business & books much of the time. The bill of goods received are many of them wanting so that an attempt to report will fail of being as full as it would be with all the bills before me. The following is the best statement I can make with the materials I have to do with. Which covers the whole ground from July 55 to March 31st 56.

Building	116. 13. 3.
Farm	28. 5. 5½
Transportation	20. 8. 1
Family	44. 14. 9½
Mo Jappan	12. 17. 5½
Mo Jappan School	12. 12. 0
Mo Gbays School	11. 13. 0
Sunbwea School	12. 10. 11
Mo Logi School	10. 13. 0
Total	278. 7. 11½

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. 57-2266
FISK UNIV.

Mobwavi I shall hereafter report by itself under the head of Boom Station. The reason for calling it Boom Station the fact of its being located in the Upper Boom Country.

During the last quarter I have succeeded in securing a beautiful locality just below Mobwave known by the name of Mokadja for the payment of Goods to the amount of Sixteen Pounds & three Shillings. £. 16. 3. 0

Traveling expences 12 „ 0

Expences previous to last quarter 1 „ 0 „ 0

Total £ 17 „ 15 „ 1

This includes all the customs, presents, and Konani for the land.

The Lord providency we hope to build at Mokadja this rainy. Our plan is a small house for one family. No boarding school is provided for. Dr. Thompson can tell you more of the place and of our hopes & plans than I have time to write.

Unworthy your missionary

John A. Brooks.

BOSTON MISSIONARY ROOM

Burton supposes this land may be ½ a mile on the river & running back, containing 150 or 200 acres perhaps.

This gives the mission the same right in the country as the natives themselves. and secures it perpetually.

The whole cost of this matter may be what ~~[illegible]~~ exchanged in cash at half that price.

~~Bro~~

Bro. Burton thinks the cost of this house may be (from our treasury) probably $200.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

Bom Falls Station M.S.R. Jan 31/61

Rev. Geo. Whipple. Cor. Sec. A.M.A.

My dear Brother, I have often written on the subject of difficulties here and suggested plans by which I thought some of them might be prevented. I am not certain that any amount of precaution practicable could prevent even a large share of them, but it does seem to me that an effort to do so, wisely devised and earnestly carried out would result in some good. Excuse me if I should seem to be officious and officious in this matter in suggesting some things you might do to prevent ruptures here, some little things I will mention first. Let no company embark with suspicions or hard feelings towards each other if you know it. Better bring them together and make more trouble, than would seem necessary in forming a band. Love than let it go unmedled with. Do not speak to any member of a company, of the little singularities, unnecessaries, or follies or any unpleasant impressions you may receive from first appearance or slight acquaintance, to another member of the company or mission. If you should see anything in a wife you would not think of speaking of it to her husband. You should not to one who is to be closely connected with them in jointly responsible labors. If you see anything worth a remark in any one, go and tell them but let no one of the company know of it. Caution them separately or collectively not by letter but by free conversation if it can be done.

A.M.A. ARCHIVES NO. H-7267 FISK UNIV.

Now for the last time again. A band of [illegible] as you may regard this, it is the only thing that will hold us together. We are fast going down now, and shall continue to do so until we have some landmarks to show the nature of our responsibility or the Mendi Mission is no more! Depend on this!

You speak of the bond of love, of the religion of Jesus, of the cause, Brother these are all good in their place but they will not do for a warranty deed or an act of corporation. You send out men and women here of widely different religious experience, differently educated, differently educated in matters of Christian duty and responsibility, different in their views of missionary life, different in natural disposition, differing in everything. You send them here with no other basis of action, no limitations and no more definite ideas of responsibility than Christian love which the king the slave the sailor may be as perfectly guided in widely different relations and responsibilities. We want all this and more. We are your servants under Christ. Now what have you sent us here for? Decide this question and tell us and let be the first general division of the bond of harmonious cooperation. Then how would you have us do it, Shall we do it by schools by preaching through interpreters or by acquiring the language ourselves, by going from town to town or by settling in some central place and prosecuting regular meetings let this question be settled in the same way and the answers constitute another link in this bond. Then shall each missionary be independent from the rest of his companions as he thinks best though approved by the majority. Shall each station be regarded in the light of a congregational organization responsible to you direct for its acts, at liberty to conduct their affairs to the best of their judgment without involving any one of the mission not connected therewith in responsibility, let this be another link, then what shall be the limits of support how far may each station school individual or family in order or draw from the general fund. Let this form another link and so on till the bond is complete.

You may say still, that you dont know what we want, as well as we, and throw the responsibility on us to do this work. If it be indeed so, do the best you can, and give it to us, then if there be any thing which we cannot meet, we will propose a change. So in process of time, the thing will be as perfect as we can make it. The question is forever settled, that it cannot be done here, the attempts we have made on one, or two points, have been so indefinitely sanctioned, by you ~~that~~ that we can but say and all, a dead letter.

After you have done this, appoint us one to this field who will not most fully, and freely carry out your instructions. The men of this world, are wiser than the children of the kingdom in their appointment of foreign agents, if in no other, a man would not think of sending off the best of agents, without instructions minute and explicit. Why should you do less, when a thousand times more is depending. A very bad plan of labor, well carried out, will be much more certain of success than no plan at all. Give us anything that has a bottom, and sides to it, and I assure you more harmony, and prosperity. And I again assure you, that in case you much longer neglect this duty, which you owe us, and owe the cause, the mission will soon go down so low, that it will take more to raise it, than it has cost to this for give it existence, I assure you that were I less hardened to this field, I should not stay long without lame backs, and a shield from you for self protection. You owe us this, as much as certainly, as we owe you our united efforts for the mission. Now will you not try for us in this matter and place as Paul can see & be seen.

Mr Kadja's, first hill below Mr Gbwai separated from it by a narrow valley has been secured for a station by the payment of 80 bars direct and about 40 in approaching the matter, and agreeing to pay the Ta-gbanta of the country, 80 bars once in two years as an tax, or "shake hand" as it is call. The cash cost of securing the land has not been more than 40 dollars, and the tax will not amount to more than 5$ a year in cash. I expect to remove to Mr Kadja's soon and build a cheap wood house and hope to make it a home for life, I am getting old and want to have a resting place that I can call home. Will you give me an appointment to Mr Kadja during good behaviour, with a divided responsibility and limited support. Bro. Thompson can tell you what I want.

Mr Sappan is to be occupied, for the present, by Dr. Orr. I understand he thinks of starting a school for girls.

The war has assumed a new character which draws the war for the present more interior so that we are left in quiet. Peace feeling is strengthening among the people.

I send you two more letters to the Young. As they are said to be published in the Youths paper of Mattack I would suggest that they be dedicated "To the 2d Wesleyan Sabbath School Lowell Mass" this would be my preference you can do as you think best.

I am still well and it is my choice to stay here as long as I can work enough to pay my way.

I must not write more particulars as Bro Thompson can tell you better.

Unworthily Your Missionary

John L. Brooks

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. _____
FISK UNIV.

Mr Kadja

Rev. J. L. Brooks
Oct 31/50

V Dr Lee

ack 27 may and same day

Good Hope Mission Station
April 4th 1856

Thos. Thompson Esqr.

A.M.E. ARCHIVES
NO. FH268
FISK UNIV.

Treas. A. M. E.

Dear Bro. You herein find a correct statement of Mr. Thompsons Liberia trips.

About the 1st of Jan. 1856. Mr. Thompson asked leave, at a meeting of the missionaries, to leave the mission and return to America. He met with the unanimous consent of the missionaries. He then proposed to go to Liberia, which was disapproved of by all; as we considered it his duty to return at once to his family but told him we considered him freed from any controll of the mission so far as where he should go. He then wrote to Bro. Burton from Kau-mendi, requesting him to secure by loan some money for his use to go to Liberia. Mr. B. promptly refused to do any thing that would lay him liable in any way.

Mr. Thompson went to Good Hope however and procured the following bill of goods and money, which he had charged to Hau-Mendi Station. When I learned what Bro. Buston wrote, before Mr T. went to Good Hope, I asked him what he would do for funds to go with. He replied that he would use his own money, that he did not feel under obligations to the mission for any funds for his trip. I told him plainly I could not consent to his use of funds belonging to the mission and was much surprised to find the Bill as follows, charged to the station that I was left in charge of.

Jan 16th	To Cash pd. George Thompson £	3.0.0
	" 3 Iron Bars — — —	4.6
	" Cash from N. Nathan	1.16.0
	" 2 lbs Pitch	1.4
	" 1 Double Barrel Gun	3.0.0
	" Hdkfs &c from N. Nathan	1.3.10½
	" 2 Iron Pots, Oil, Cups &c	8.6
	£	9.14.2½

In addition to the foregoing, on his return his men had to be paid, which I know Mr. T. had not the means at hand to do

I paid them " £ 6 . 15 . 0
add 9 . 14 . 2 ½
£ 16 . 9 . 2 ½
Deduct Goods returned 1 " 4 " 0
£ 15 " 5 " 2 ½ Whole expense of
$ 73 . 25 Trip

I could not give my consent that it should be charged to the Mission consequently I refer the matter to you -

A. M. A. ARCHIVE
NO.
FISK UNIV.

Mr. Burton is very ill and his life has been despaired of for the last two days. He is better to-day and I hope will entirely recover - His sickness is altogether the result of imprudence in his habits, but I think he has learned a lesson by which he will profit. The rest of the Mission are all very well. Bro. Brooks health is excellent. I repeat any man or woman of good habits and a system not loaded

with poison before they come here can live in Africa. Do not fear to send them, But if they have been completely saturated with calomel, Quinine, or their nervous systems shattered by narcotics; keep them at home. We have had deaths enough here, we want no more material for sickness, care anxiety & death. I will send you in a short time (perhaps with this) what I consider the physical requisitions in missionaries for this field.

Mr. Thompson has just handed me the within.

The want of system in this mission has caused the useless expenditure of thousands, and it is time these things were stopped. It can & should be done will not one of the committee visit us next dry season. I would not recommend that it be Bro. Whipple as his system is in such a condition it would be dangerous, but you or Bro. Belden can come safely.

Yours in Christ David J. Lee

This Invoice is copied from that of a poor "Crushed Missionary." Many of the articles I have attached a price too all of them I think below their cost.

			£	s	d
(1)	Small Palm Box	cost		2.	6
Containing	1 Large Country cloth			12.	6
	2 Country Shirts			12.	6
	1 White Cloth			2.	6
	2 Stone Idols			4.	2
	1 Hank Cotton Thread				.6
(2)	Specimen Box	cost		3.	0
Containing	4 Shells			1.	0
	7 Snake Bones			2.	0
	1 Cows Horn			1.	3
	7 Country Knives			3.	0
	1 Greegree Horn			2.	6
	1 Pouch			2.	6
	Some Buga-Bug houses			1.	3
	2 Leopard Skins & Bones			1.	3
	1. Pr. Wooden Sandals			1.	0
	Feathers				.3
	Arabic Manuscript			12.	6
	4. Small Mats			2.	6
	carry Over		£ 3.	9.	6

£ 3. 9. 6

2 Country Spindles & Bones .6

(3) 1 Box Specimens of Timber 1. 0. 0

(4) 3 Callabashes, 1 Razor, 1 Ivory Mortar 5. 0

1 Pocket Book, 1 Ivory wristlet & Shells 2. 6

Elephant Shooters 10. 0

1 Whip 1. 3

Rolls of Patches & 2 Loings 2. 6

1 Cloth 2.6. 1 Sabre 5. 0 Shells 3.9 8. 3

3 Horns, 10.0 1 Wooden Idol 2. 6. Harness 2.6 15. 0

2 Table Matts 1. 3. 1 Gambling Box 17.6 18. 9

2 Hats. 7. 6 1 Bundle Canes 10. 17. 6

1 Wood Hat 5. 0 Two Hammocks 15 1. 0. 0

1 Bag Shells 5. 0 2 Skulls, 6 5. 6

3 Packages Coffee 2.6. 1 Bundle Country Bags 7. 6

1 Matt 1. 3. 3. Dees Skins 7. 6 1 Small Skin 1. 3 10. 0

Box V With Trinkettes (not less than £1) 1. 0. 0

VII Box with ditto (not Less than 10) 10. 0

IX. Geological Specimens (Large Box not less than £3) 3. 0. 0

X. Insects & Reptiles (not less than £2) 2. 0. 0

1 Hammock — — 2. 6

2 Country Work Baskets 1. 3

1 Fanner — — 5. 0

Leopard & Beaver Skins 7. 6

carried Forward £ 17. 12. 0

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(16) 6 Spear & Bow — — — £17.12.0
1.5.0
2 Snakes Not Less than 2.0.0
3 Cats do 7.6
1 Bush Cat " 7.6
1 Roll of Mats 5.0
1 Hammock — — — 5.0
Two Monkeys Cost of Keeping them 10.0
Beside these a lot of County Cloths £22.12.0
part of which were presents £ 3.0.0
Add to this the Liberia Trip £25.12.0
15.5.2
£40.17.2

Then I might add the cost of dead
Animals that died — — — — — — —
& The cost of articles that were thrown away — — —
But, I must not forget Carriage from Harmanville — —
Thus I might go on until I could
present you a bill of Items of $300.00
for which there is not yet paid the
freight from Freetown which will
be not less than $100. which I leave you
to settle when Mr. T arrives. I refused
to pay out of Mission funds the freight
from here to Freetown £.2.2.6. which

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Mr. Thompson paid out of some funds that he had. I told him the Mission could not pay for traveling Museums & Menagaries. You can pay it you deem proper.

I believe that a small number of the curiosities from this country will excite a healthy interest in the Zoology & Geology & Botany of the country, also an attention to the arts as they exist among us. But I do not think Mission money is the currency to buy these things with. If you think so, Please set apart a certain portion for each Member of the Mission to be laid out in that way and let there be an account rendered of all that is bought.

I will enclose the Bill of Lading of this Crushed Missionary. But I beseech you not to get into his "private property"!!

By the way Bro Tappan cannot the committee allow me as much as these things cost in two years ($300) for a fund to educate my boy, he will be ready to return to America in 4 or 5 years and I will be "crushed" by that time and am poor now, I would like some thing laid by for his education.

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I am honest about the matter of a sallary. I think we earn one hundred dollars a peice, over and above the expense of our maintainance. We are willing to preach, teach, and instruct gratuitously, but cannot those, who do not feel it their duty to come and perform the many other duties that devolve on us, pay those who do these things in their stead.

And Now Bro. Tappan, you no doubt think I write very spicy letters unbecoming my position as "peace maker". It is true I have written plainly and pointedly but I do not wish to hurt any ones feelings, by my manner of speaking & writing. If you find me guilty of the wrongs I point out in the Mission I ask no mercy at the hands of the committee. But as long as I am in the discharge of my duty I go fearlessly forward

trusting that I shall render up an account of my stewartship with joy & rejoicing — In reference to Miss. More — I grieve over her. I have never done any thing to her nor written a line, that would cause the most sensative mind pain, yet she rails on me in a scandelous manner. I answer not again. I also send you her reply — as copied by Mr Thompson, from a letter to him in reference to the matter. She sent us no general answer to her Address, and the matter rests just there. We cannot withdraw our conditions of her return, & she will not accept them. We shall consequently make provisions for her maintenance in town until the matter is decided by the Executive Committee. And I am authorized by the company now in the mission to say — That if the Executive Committee deem proper to condemn our action in the matter, they can forthwith forward

other persons to fill our places, and we will consider ourselves at liberty to pursue our callings elsewhere.

Mr. Burton desires me to say he never paid any attention to Miss More "notes & letters", which she refers to in her letter to the committee, only in a jocular way; when she complained of a want of time to answer her American Correspondents, he jocosely answered he had a lot of her letter to him, which he would gladly forward to such as she would furnish their addresses - There was no pardon asked nor pallaver ever made about them, only as they were referred to in the "address" to her. There is no ill will cherished against her for them, and all we ask is that there be no more written, And she return to her duty and not interfere with ours.

As She claims to have been inspired, when she wrote to the "Proud dozen" we ask that she lay aside all such inspiration

and attend to what is already revealed.
We are in hopes that some one
will visit the Mission next dry season
It would not cost $ 300 and would do
an immense amount of good.

I am glad to close this letter as I
think, hope, and pray that it is the last
I shall ever have to write of this kind
Pray Bro. Tappan that we may
have in all our borders.

Yours in Christ
David J. Lee-

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JM.

Plymouth Apl 5th 1856.

Mr Lewis Tappan
Brooklyn N Y-

My Dear Father Tappan.

Your letter of March 29th arrived here today- I have written to Father Thompson today- requesting him to send Mr Tappan the note referred to- as early as possible- Should he see fit to do so- which I trust he will do without delay- I shall hope to receive a draft for two hundred dollars within thirty days- or as soon as possible- My house is progressing rapidly- and promises to be soon completed-

I have received the draft for one hundred dollars & have applied most of it in purchasing lumber &c- Gratefully Yours- M. C. Thompson

✓ Mrs M. C. Thomisson

Plymouth, Ill.

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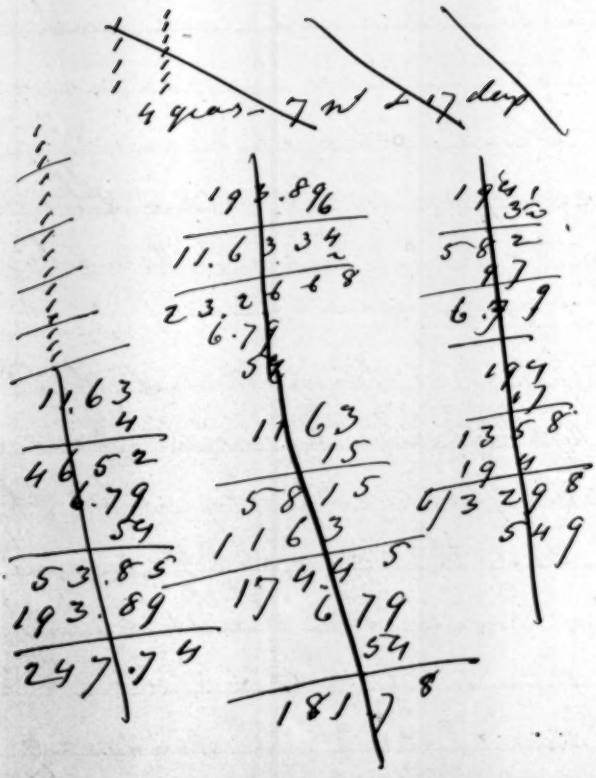

Mr R. L. Leffler
Grove Hale Apl 6. 1856.
Mailed at Salem Mass
June 30/56
Rec'd New York July 1.

(Miss Moore).

~~Stamp~~

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Good Hope April 6th 1856

Mr Whipple

My Dear Brother,

It is with a sad heart that I seat myself to address you this morning. O! The condition of this Mission is truly lamentable, But I hope a better day is to dawn upon us Kaw Menelu that place of disease and death is left with natives, Thank God the house is down and taken away, Although my sweet husband live laboured and died there yet I think if he had been living he would have cheerfully concented to its removal Brother and Sister Ihleinger left the Mission to spend a time in town. They left in friendship for aught I know with all but they have left for America with some hard feelings

I understand. Their sudden unexpected marriage of course caused remarks to be made but nothing of an unkind or criminal nature that I know of While they have been in town various fals reports have been carried to them by some means I know not how, Freetown is of all places that I know of the worst for slander and tattling, Enough like them who delight to poison the minds of new missionaries and sometimes stories are made of nothing and told for truth. And sometimes old missionaries go there a little embittered about something, and add fuel to the fire, And just now our oldest missionary Mis. Moore is in town acting like a mad woman and talking to her disgrace because R. M, is taken down, And she assented to its removal, It happened

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that. She went to town just before it was done when she left we did not think of doing it while she was away. but Brother Brook health became so poor we felt that he must leave soon for America and it seemed necessary for a speedy action and we at once proceeded to pack up the things and send them to Good Hope where they were safe and take the house down, I feel that this is the best thing that has happened to the mission in a long time is its removal, We intend to take a straight forward course and let all pass. Before Mr Jeffs last sickness a writing was drawn up requesting Miss Mare to return to America for she carried on so Mr Jeff and Thompson said they could not stand it with her, She treated the children so badly we were all shocked to see her cruelty to them, The paper was brought to me to sign but I told them I could not sign a writing to send Miss Mare home, for I had loved

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Miss Moore like a sister Mr Lefft said he loved her as a sister to but he could not countenance her conduct, We have all been a great deal from her but she being the eldest one we felt that it would be disrespectful to complain of her knowing the Committee had unbounded confidence in her,, But the time must come when dark things must be brought to light, Mr Lefft called Miss Moore in our room and kindly talked to her she said she would try and do better, Miss Moore has been allowed to do things that we could not have countenanced in others on account of age and experience have let all pass. Miss Moore is in some respects an invaluable woman, she has a fine mind if rightly used I presume all would be willing to receive her back again if she would make a

suitable confession and do right.
I think she has figured this mission
in Freetown not a little with her talk
How can God smile upon our efforts
when there is such a state of things, If
I am for the work I hope God will remove
me I do desire to be faithful in his cause
There are so many palavers in this
mission I am ashamed to be one of its
number, It seems as though it would
kill me and if there is not a better
state of things soon I shall leave,
Will not the Executive Com. now take
a decided firm stand relative to
this mission and give some kind of
a plan to go by. It will probably be the
means of saving it otherwise I fear
its ruin and downfall. When you
send out missionaries appoint each to
his or her place, Appoint a general
superintendent and give him papers

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the same and order him to take it and not give it up for any one. Appoint Ministers teachers etc to their special field of labour If the Com would do this it would be much pleasenter for all, Give all to understand that the Com. have rules and they are to abide by them. Work never prospers in confusion neither do two families in one house Let a man and his wife be appointed to each Station. Send no more single men and women here to labour at the same station alone. It will be talked about the natives themselves know it is not proper, One thing that has caused so much mischief here is so many have been sent here to live togather, Dr Lee and wife I consider excellent people and I think have right views of how a mission should be conducted. Mr McIntosh is much

beloved and if she can have health (I think her mind is restored) she will be just the one for us. You may think this letter uncalled uncalled for but I suppose Mrs Shaw has written. We are not discouraged by any means. The Devil is trying to reign but we are determined he shall not,, Many high glowing things have been written relative to this mission, which has kept up its interest, Such things cannot nor will not be written hereafter, nor never aught to have been written in the first place,

Yours in Christian
Love R. L. Lefft.

Shendi Mission.

Wm. John. Hanns.

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1856

May 31st	5 Ash. Oars (64 ft.)	@ 6½d	1	14	7
June 10th	4 Fez Caps.	" 3/-	"	12	"
" "	5 Bowie Knives	" 7/6	"	12	6
" "	Over Charge on Iron (13 lbs)	" 9½	"	9	9
July -	20 Bushels C. Rice	" 6/-	6	"	"
Sept. 20th	10 " R. Oil	" 3/-	1	10	"
" "	1 Pr. of Shoes. (to Schoolmaster)		"	8	6
Oct. 25th	1 " " Oil		"	8	6
" 28th	10 Bush. C. Rice	5/-	2	10	"
" "	2 " Salt.	2/6	0	5	"
Nov. 13th	20 Gns. S. Oil	2/7	2	1	8
	Paper returned		1	14	"
Dec. 1st	1 P. S. Bafs.		"	12	"
" "	26 Bush. C. Rice	5/-	6	10	"
		£	25	8	6

Settled up to date —

J. Hanns

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31 May to 1 Dec 1856
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Dr. to Bushr. Factory Westfield
in Charge of L. Mathews

1856		To Balance of Account rendered					95	3	10¼
July	3	" 6 Bus: Rice	6/-	1	16	"			
	17	" 10 " Rice	5/-	2	10	"			
		" 4 double Caps	10	"	3	4			
		" 2 Single Caps	4	"	"	8			
	18	" 2 yds 4/4 Jago Cloth		"	8	4			
	23	" 1 lb Concola Bead		"	3	"			
	25	" 20 Bus: Rice	4/6	6	10	"			
	26	" 1 " Salt		"	2	"			
		" 1/2 dozen Rain Shirt	18/-	"	18	"			
	28	" 1½ lb Tobacco		"	1	6	12	12	10
Augt.	2	" 1 doz Matchets Blade		"	11	"			
		" 3 kg 1/10 powder	6/6	"	19	6			
		" 1 piece Glass Beads	12/6	"	12	6			
		" 3 Check Shirt	2/3	"	5	3			
		" 2 Single Red Caps	4	"	"	8			
		" 4 pcs. Satin Stripe	5/6	1	6	"			
		" 1/2 Gross pipes		"	4	"			
		Sundries		"	10	"			
		" 4 pcs. White Baft	4/6	"	18	"			
		" 1 " Taffity		"	8	"			
		" 4 Cotton Ditto		"	2	"			
		" 5 lbs Tobacco	1/-	2	6	"			
		" 1 lb. Concola Bead	3/-	"	3	"			
		" 1 Qtl. Gall. Iron pots 16 lbs @ 3		"	4	"			
		" 18 sheets paper	6	"	"	6			
		" 1 Silk Umbrella		"	13	"	9	13	5
		" Amount carried over					117	10	1¼

1857		To Amount brought Over					£117.	10	1¼
Augt.	9	" Sundries paid Blacksmith for Making Rudder Iron for 2 Canoes		"	10	"			
	11	" 14 Gallons Palm Oil	18	1	3	4			
		" 5 Yds Blue Baize	4/	1	"	"			
		" 1 3/4 lbs Tobacco		"	1	9			
		" 1 pc. White Baft		"	4	"			
		" 1 " Rouen Baft		"	12	"			
		" 9 Yds French Stripe		"	7	6			
	19	" 12 Wash. hand. Basin		"	7	6			
		" 1½ Yd. Blue Baize		"	6	"			
	23	" 2 Bus. Rice	5/	"	10	"			
	25	" 2 Woollen Shirt	3/-	"	6	"			
		" 4 lbs Tobacco	1/-	"	4	"			
		" 6 Short Cutlasses	7½	"	3	9			
		" 1 Woollen Shirt	3/-	"	3	"	5	18	10
September	1	" 13½ lbs Tobacco	1/-	1	13	6			
	2	" 1 Woollen Shirt		"	3	"			
	6	" ½ Dozen 10 pt. Mug	2/-	"	2	"			
	8	" 2 pc. W. Baft	5/-	"	10	"			
		" 4 " Satin Stripe		1	6	6			
		" 1 " Rouen Baft	12/-	"	12	"			
		" 1 " 9/8 Print 18 Yds	6/-	"	6	"			
	11	" 3 Bus: Salt	2/-	"	6	"			
	13	" 3 Dozen Straw Hat	18/-	2	14	"			
		" 2 Pair Shoes	8/7½	"	17	3			
		" 5 Bus: Rice	4/6	1	12	6			
	16	" 2 " Salt	2/-	"	4	"			
	19	" Hire of Fireman Making Boats		1	"	"			
		" 1 Bus: Rice		"	6	"			
	20	" 3 " Rice	4/6	"	19	6			
		" 3 Cover Basin	2/6	"	7	6			
		" 4 3/4 lb Tobacco	1/-	"	4	9	12	3	6
		" Amount Carried Forward.			£		135	12	5¼

1856		To Amount Brought Forward				£	135	12	5¼
September	24	" 5 Bus: Rice		1	12	6			
	29	" 2 " Rough Rice		"	5	"			
	30	" 4 " Rice	6/6	1	6	"	3	3	6
Oct.	1	" 1 " Rice		"	6	6			
	2	" 1 loaf Sugar 8½ lbs	8	"	6	8			
	4	" 1 Dampier		"	12	6			
		" Sundries		"	4	6			
		" 1 pc. Satin Stripe		"	7	"			
		" 1 lb Tobacco		"	1	"			
		Paid your order in favor of Dassinet							
		" 1 pair shoes, to Dr. Jewitto		"	8	9			
		" 1 Keg Powder ½ lb, to Carpenter		"	7	"			
	6	" 1 Bus: Rice		"	6	6			
	11	" 1 pc. Satin Stripe		"	6	6			
	13	" 1 Dam Gum		"	18	"			
		" 1 pc. Blue Bafta		"	12	"			
		" 1½ lb Tobacco		"	1	6			
		" 4¾ " "	1/-	"	4	9			
	14	" 3½ " "	1/-	"	3	6			
	18	" 1 pc. Satin Stripe		"	6	6			
		" 3 Scarlet Cravat		"	3	"			
		" 2 Keg Powder ½ lb	6/6	"	13	"			
		" 11 lbs Tobacco	1/-	"	11	"			
		" 1 Madras Hkfs	1/3	"	1	3			
		" 1 Doub. Bafta	10	"	"	10			
		Paid your order in favor of Brush		"	"	"			
	23	" 1 Bus: Salt		"	2	"			
	25	" 3 " Rough Rice	3/-	"	9	"			
	28	" 3 Madras Hkfs	1/6	"	4	6			
		" 6 yds Blue Bafta	10	"	5	"			
	29	" Jacob Kunner Passage		"	8	4			
	31	" 2 Bus. Salt	2/-	"	4	"			
		" 2 lb. Tobacco	1/-	"	2	"	8	16	1
		" Amount Carried over				£	147	12	0¼

1856		To Amount Brought Over					147	12	0¼
Nov.	1	" 1 straw Hat		"	1	6			
		" 4 lbs Sugar	8	"	2	8			
	6	" ½ Doz Wooden Mdle Hatchets		"	3	9			
		" 1 Scrinder Blades		"	"	10			
	10	" 5 Window Sash	9/	"	12	6			
		Paid your order in favor of Samuel Barber's		"	7	6	1	8	9
					£		149	0	9¼
		WG WM 14/56							
1856		Contra Cr							
July	2	By 1 pair Brogans		"	6	6			
	19	" 6 Table Spoons		"	2	6			
		" 6 papers fish Hooks		"	15	"			
		" 1 Hatchet		"	4	2			
	17	" 2 pair Brogans		"	13	"			
	25	" 1 Plank 14 ft 3 ins		"	1	3			
Augt	25	" 15 Boxes Soap	28/"	21	5	"			
		" 1 Barrel Flour		3	6	8			
		" 37 lbs Zinc	8	1	4	8			
September	3	" Cash		2	10	"			
	18	" 1 Rifle		3	15	"			
	23	" 2, 1½ ins Plank 14x6 12x6 – 19-6 ft ins	8/2	"	3	3			
Oct	8	" 12 papers fish Hooks No 6		1	4	"			
	9	" 5 Papers fish Hooks		"	10	"			
		" 1 paper 175 fish Hooks		"	2	"			
	10	" 15000 fish Hooks		9	15	10			
	11	" 6 Dozen Brunswick Spoons		1	4	"			
	15	" 1 lb White Cotton thread		"	3	6			
		" 1 " Blue Cotton thread		"	4	"	47	10	4
		Amount Carried Forward				£	101	10	5¼

1856		To Amount Brought Forward					£101	10	5¼
Oct	23	By Cash paid for Powder		"	2	6			
		" 1 Tin Flask Powder		"	2	6			
Nov.	4	" 10 lb. Sugar	8	"	6	8			
	11	" 2 dz Whip saw file	7/3	"	14	6			
		" 1 Flask powder	2/6	"	2	6			
	12	" 15,000 fish Hooks		5	8	9	6	17	5
		To Balance in favor of Bonthe Factory				£	94	13	0¼

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December 14/1856

Chs Heddle Factory
in charge
N. Nathan
a/c with Good Hope Station
3 July to 10 Nov. 1856
Drs & Crs
Bal. due Nathan
£ 94.13.0 3/4
including balance of
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Good Hope Apr 8th

Mr Tappan

I have taken the liberty to drop you a few lines as the Dr is writing to you. I am ~~dis~~agreeably disappointed in the climate, it is in many respects delightful, and I am satisfied from what experience I have had that the deaths that have occurred here have not been the result of the climate originally. There was some considerable prejudice on our first arrival against our medical views; but I think they are entirely removed and I do not think that there is one in the Mission that would not cheerfully entrust their cases to us. Mr Brunson was more prejudiced than any other; a week ago he was taken sick, they called on me for a part of the treatment adding the remainder themselves

and of course assuming the responsibility. I told them in all kindness the effects that their course would bring about, but they had lost confidence in the medical profession (for which I admire them) and wished to use their own judgment. I stood in readiness to administer any remedy they called on me for, that was consistent with my views, and also to repair any damage they might make by the administration of those remedies which I could not sanction. The 4th day they got to the end of the rope, Mrs B came in for me to go in and see him I went in examined, I found him laboring under the most alarming ~~Ty~~ Typhoid symptoms, delirium, laxity of the bowels and the most distressing nervous depression from the administration of a dose of quinine 10 or 12 grs that he had taken in the night. I told her I thought he would die. She burst into a flood of tears and exclaimed I know not what to do

you have been very kind to him Mrs
Lee but to tell you the truth we were so
duped by Drs in America and by Dr Cole
here that we feel that we cannot yield
our lives into any one's hands, I told her
that we were strangers to them and had
no claim on their confidence, but that
there was no time to lose and that I
felt satisfied for myself that I under-
stood my business and if she would
entrust the case even then to me, that
I would do all that lay in my power.
She did so cheerfully and trusting-
ly. 4 days from that time he sat at the
table with us. He was so perfectly sur-
prised at the change and his recovery
at all, that he wept when he met any
one of the children or family. He told
me this morning that I might publish
his conversion to Physiomedicalism
that for his part he was perfectly satisfied
Mr. Burton's general health is apparently good he
looks well, but his nervous system is

much deranged from the use of quinine and other remedial medical agents that he is liable to severe attacks of disease any where, Thus far we have found that the most severe and dangerous form of disease yield much more readily to sanative treatment here than in America. Mr Tappan though I am a physician my soul revolts at the undeserved (because unmerited) encomiums that have been so gratuitously bestowed upon that class of people and while I would not part with what knowledge I possess in the healing art or science of medicine I despise the assumed wisdom and dogmatical dignity which most of them arrogate to themselves.

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Ere this you have learned that the mission house at Kaw-mendi has been taken down, and the valuables of that station removed to the other stations. On our arrival there we ~~could~~ considered it presumptuous to try to live there, on

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a[illegible]nt of its location and the arrang-
-ment and management of affairs, we came
here to elevate Africa and not to come
down upon a heathenish level; our mot-
-to is raise the standard and bring them
up to it, this can be done, they are generally
intellectual and anxious to learn "white
mans fashion" The children usually are
active and sprightly and if trained
to habits of decorum and industry
would fully answer our expectations,
but instead of this the practice at K-
-hendie was to keep them in school, learn
them to read, write, sing, pray and
go to meeting day after day, and night
after night, but to be sure and not
allow them any things that they had not
been used to or depart one hairs
breadth from their domestic coun-
-try fashions, it reminded me more

of Pandoras box or a twittering flock of filthy and unclean birds; There is not a particle of necessity to this, these children are as susceptible of training as American children; and we can have them to be as neat and orderly in their habits, but when their teachers civilized people are examples of disorder and filth we are not at all suppised at the habits of the children. We have been endeavoring to purge K. Mendi and it now bids fair to accomplish more practicable good than it ever has according to the testimony of all, Mr Green whom we were compelled to discharge some time ago on account of drunkenness and adultery is now selling rum and tobacco at the same place where he opperated as missionary. At the time he was employed by the Mission and during his

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er, also he was guilty of the same prac-
tices, which some of the Missionaries were
aware of, while others were blinded
to it and would not see, while you
have no doubt had some excellent
men in this field, the fruits of their
labor indicate their ignorance of
human nature and a lack of moral
courage to face the current, and in-
stead of keeping peace which no doubt
caused them to wink at many evils
the storm was only gathering black-
-ness and like the fierce volcano as
soon as you sent out some one who had
the moral courage to take the lead
in stirring it up it ~~burst~~ cast forth
its mire and dirt, Adultery, fornication
and all manner of uncleanliness has
been practiced and cherished both
in and out of the church there until
it had become a den of pollution

so intolerable to be borne, we have
gone to work with the approbation of all
that are now in the field and we are
determined by the grace of god to elevate
it and set it ~~ba~~going upon good and
moral principles which we think we
can do, if you will allow us, if not all
of us have are resolve to leave the field
and labor where and with such as are
consistent and upright, we cannot
do it in a day week or year, but we
love the work and are resolved
to do what our hands find to do
with all our might. G. Hope station
is in a prosperous condition, things
go on well. They have 23 promising
children in the family under good
training and it will result in much
good to this part of the country. I
wish Mr and Mrs Burton would
stay. They are adapted to this work
and can do much good here, we
have been here 5 weeks, but expect
to go to Mo-Tapepan in a few weeks
to take charge of that place till we

Mrs Lee - April 8 1836 - recd 22 ~~May~~
ans 25 & 13

unity characterize our labors, Mrs Tefft accompanies us to Mo-Tappan, Miss Mc. Intosh remains here, To insure peace and union there should be but one family at a station, instead therefore of collecting such a number of children or business at any one place as to require 6 or 8 to manage it divide the expense and build up other station where each family can bring up 25 children under their immediate care, then our contentment will be more secure and civilization will be more generally and widely diffused. My best respects to Mrs Tappan and your self,

Yr Sister in Christ

Martha C Lee

Ps This is hastily penned, excuse its imperfections

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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procure Welah or some more central stations as the entire region depend on us for medical aid. Mr Brook will proceed to build Mo Bawa when we go to fill this place. His physical health is very good, but I think his mind has suffered much from the loss of his wife. He is an invaluable helper in the field. Miss McIntosh is not adapted to this climate but she is so anxious to remain that we feel that we had better give her sufficient time to become satisfied of it herself. If she can live here she will be useful. She is more sane than I ever saw her, and takes hold in the changes of improvement with her whole mind and heart. Neither I nor myself have been sick, we enjoy excellent health. Charley grows rapidly and looks as fresh and ruddy as ever. He loves Africa. Those of us that remain in the field are acting in concert, peace and

D. W. Burton's draft on L. T. 8 April 1856, 50 dys. in favor of John Erzedi £200 – ~~Paid~~ acc^d per Morgan to 22^d May I paid 15 July by bill of Brown Bros & Co

D. W. Burton's draft on L. T. 7 March 1856. 30 d/s. in favor of Nathaniel Nathan £ 173. 12. 3 3/4. accepted 23^d July & due 20/25 Aug. Paid.

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D. W. Burton's draft on L. T. 14 May 1856, 30 d/s. favor of John Erzedi £200. in Pounds July 18th & acceptance demanded for £1005. 24. accepted it "to pay at 48 Bishopsgate at the rate of exchange on Eng. a 60 day bill on London". Bill returned to Eng & from there sent back with directions to take as much as I would pay on it & have it protested for the balance. I paid the bill in sovereigns (200) which cost at 4. 88. $976.

D. W. Burton's draft on L. T. 25 Feb. 1856 favor of C^D Reddle 30 d/s. $81. 90. Accepted 23^d July. Paid 25 Aug.

D. W. Burtis
ditto

25 Feb. — $81.90

7 March £173. 12. 3 3/4

8 April £200. 50 d/s

14 May £200. 30 d/s

1856

the vessel, he is not well and cannot help do any thing.

Adieu for the
Present.
Yours in Christ
David J. Lee

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-12381
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P. S. I have opened my letter to finish the whole pallaver, and I herein send you a copy of the Bill of Lading for Geo. Thompsons Museum and Managarie — You will here see where Mission Money goes. This is result of his labors since he came from America the last time. His object undoubtedly was to collect matter for a Book, and he has succeeded. Day and night did he spend collecting these things, to the neglect of the whole mission. Money was squandered. Untruth unblushingly told in flaming style, and much that only existed in his own mind are heralded forth as realities.

Dr Lee
10 April 1856
ans 22 may
22 may
ac. 22 may
advice of letter
B Burton draft £200
Note

April 10th 1856

Mr. Burton is recovering rapidly but is yet nervous & weak.

He desires me to inform you that he has drawn Bills of Exchange in favor of John Ezzidig for two hundred Pounds Sterling £200, Payable fifty days after sight, Dated April 8th 1856

I have an item or two similar to the Liberia Trip to inform you of, but have not now time to copy the documents; they will make your soul groan within you, when you read them. I have labored all day yesterday with all my might, and wrote more than half of my hours for sleep; this will use me up, if I keep at it long. You may ask why ~~is to do~~ does not some one help you; Mr. Burton is not able, and every thing depends on me. Mr. Thompson is just going onto

Shipped, in good order and well conditioned by George Thompson on Board the Schooner called the Wave whereof James Joiner is master, now lying in the port of Good Hope, Sherbro Island, and bound for Freetown Sierra Leon West Africa — To say

Marked
George Thompson
Columbia Centre
Licking Co. Ohio

Care of
Rev. George Whipple
No. 48 Beekman St.
New York

No. 1. Box. Curiosities
2. Barrel Books
3. Box Clothing
4. Box Clothing
5. Box Clothing & Trinkets
8. Box Shoes & Sugar.
9. Box Geological Specimens
10. Box Glass ware, insects, reptiles & scorpions &c
11. Box Chairs
12. Tin Box Books
13. Box Private papers & Bundle Bow &c
14. Port Folio
15. Bundle Leopard & Beaver Skins
16. Spear &c
17. Carpet Bag
18. Box Snakes
19. Box cats
20. Box Cat.
21. Bundle Matts
22. Can Molasses
23. Hammock
24. Monkey, Jacko
25. Monkey, Betty

being marked and numbered as in the margin and are to be delivered in like good order and well conditioned at the aforesaid Port unto George Thompson or John Eggidio Esqr. or their assigns, he or they paying freight for the said goods paid here In witness whereof the master or purser hath affirmed to three Bills of Lading all of this tenor and date one of which being accomplished, the others to stand void

Dated at Good Hope the 10th Day of April 1856.

for the Captain
R. Nathan

not accountable for leakage, breakage or death of animals

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-1282
FISK UNIV.

Copy

B. A. Lacking
Geo. Thompson
R. S. Jackson
Philip Lumbard
Stephen Freeborn
with the crew of shipping
belonging to the U.S.

10 April 1856

Ceo. W. Lee's
enclosure by L.T.
May 22d.

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ARCHIVES
A. M. 40
DEPT. OF

Jersey Licking Co Ohio April 11- 1846

Mr L Tappan

Sir yours of 27th Month was Rec'd - Was by some Means Rather Tardy in its Passage - at your Request - I send you your Note of $193.89 of Sept 10-48 I am Sorry that Delays have occured on Martha, account But so it is - you must Repair the Loss - by Being as Expeditious as your Convenience will admit - in Communicating to Martha - All Well as Usual - But Evidently nearing the Port -

yours Truly -

Wm Thompson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-283
FISK UNIV.

Wm Thompson
Ohio
April 11/56
relative to Mrs W. C. Thompson's
letter of March 11th & enclosing
my note of Sept 10/1855 to
Geo. Thompson $193.89

Stephen Gis-
Brooklyn
N. York

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A.M.A. ARCHIVES
NO. 71-128 H.C.
FISK BRANCH

Kaw Meridi
Mission Station
April 1st 1886

Dear Miss More,

I feel that I cannot do justice to my own feelings without writing you — where are you now & is your going to Iowa for a change to be now considered final who could have persuaded me when you were leaving here for Iowa that there would have been any contingency in your way of coming back where is that uncommon love and attachment you had manifested for your children, & Station children words fail me to express the feelings of these girls for the long absence of their dear Miss More. A few days ago we were conversing about you - a girl, (perhaps could not contain herself,) groaned and said "never mind Miss More left me" when I sometimes had occasion to stand near the little girls as they are playing although I dont understand their language to know what they are saying but the words Miss More would be so frequently uttered by them which would convince any one that you were indeed a Mother to them — If these poor little creatures had known how to write I believe thousands

would always run down your cheeks through their importunity for you to come back there is Emma Moore, Mary S. St John Electa Terril, Bethena Jones, Joanna Alden &c how I pity them. perhaps we shall never see your face again. If I had had any cause for anticipating this sudden or abrupt change in the state of things — If there was any even tended to reveal this secret, how would I have spoken to prevent your going to Iowa — this is a mournful reason — did not you promise to end your career in this very place? — to honour this place by laying your bones beside those who had already finished their own career and are now in glory who have exchanged a suffering & militant church for a triumphant and glorious church — this impression has been made in the minds of these heathen they had anticipated times when they might take a short walk to the grave as their common practice to see their long loved friend & Mother. Miss Moore we dont know how things will be yet — how few years some may bring forth — when some of the people come to visit me, they would always say that they knew Miss Moore's heart is not settled,

for she loves her children too much
I must stop the Canoe is ~~[illegible]~~ about
starting Farewell
this letter is yours to you

Yours
Truly & affy
Daniel Decker

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

In haste

Worthy, & Hon. Patrons,

Pardon me for adding a few lines of explanation on this blank space in Br. Deckers letter. Our present Wesleyan Teacher at Shaw Mendi, Bro Geo. H. Decker in whose family Br. Jeff & myself have spent months, charged him to look up to me as a Counsellor, & advisor & follow my directions. I have had their little daughter at Shaw Mendi & they are highly gratified with her improvement, & desire me to take her again. Her mother told me she "would say either before me or behind me, she had rather trust her daughter in my care than keep her under her own."

What I desire to write you is this. As it regards my signing the article for the removal of Shaw Mendi I feel that I did wrong in so doing, & on my knees have begged pardon of God, & would desire to do so my patrons & all who have participated in the damage done to the Mendi Mission. My heart was never in it and my motive for doing it was peace, remembering your admonition that the minority should ever yield to the majority, which would seem to be right among Christians, any & every where.

though in the case of removing Kaw Mendi, it seems they took unwarrantable liberties. Or as the axiom says, "give an inch & they will take an ell." As I have before stated the large school was on my hands with no native assistent except my pupils. The hour of School had arrived and the bell was tolling for the Teacher, & the school expecting me just as the brethren were soliciting me to stop for the meeting — & I had had some rubs about wishing to dictate the brethren &c. It seemed to me duty called me to the School. And feeling that confidence in my brethrens unanimous opinions — I imprudently said I well not oppose you in whatever measures you all unite in. — On my coming out of of school the first salutation from the Mission House was, "We have voted to remove Kaw Mendi & are waiting for your signature" — I was greatly surprised but said nothing till I found opportunity to speak with Br Thomas in alone, When I told him I did not think he would accede to the measure, I inquired what I must do. Had I gone to God I should have done better but I had given my word not to oppose them. I loved Kaw Mendi dearly How could I give it up, then the thought of a more healthy location, & not giving it up but when ready, removing with all my choicest pupils, overcame my reluctance & I appended my name Having heard them state it must take at least 3 or 4 years before building could be put up suffi to accommodate so large a school. And Bella was not yet contracted for. I knew not what changes might occur in that time, I might be in the grave. With best wishes H. Slow

Rev. Geo Thompson
Trulora
April 14/56

George T Kipple
48 Beekman Street
New York
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Per Mail Steamer
via England

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Freetown Sierra Leone April 14/56

Dear Bro. George Whipple

I arrived here on Saturday night at 10½ to await a passage to New York — I visited Brooks, & found him very well, & in good spirits. I was sick there more than a week, so that I could not go about to see the people. I preached there but once, sitting in my chair, with a blanket about me. — Dr Lee & Wife, & Louisa are well, & expect soon to move to Mrs Tappan, to take charge there. Brooks has secured a fine place, just below Mobaravi - a better location. & desires to build himself a small house there. —

Burton had had a severe attack of sickness, but when I left was about house, directing Workmen, & gaining rapidly. — The rest all well — I was sick 4 or 5 days, at Good Hope, till I left, in the Sierra "Wave" —

I will not now speak much of Kaw Mendi - but hoping soon to see you face to face, we can talk over all those matters, & I can express my mind fully. — I dont talk much - I wait to see results. I dont know all that has been sent to you, by those at G H, & by Miss Mue - but let me put you on your guard, about writing to Dr Lee, Burton &c, for I heard Burton declare "If the Committee write censuring us for pulling down G M House, I shall go home at once". The thing is done, & the grief of many, here, & in Sherbro - but dont write, condemning it - for should those now there, leave what would become of the Mission? Pray be careful, & send out a substantial man, to take charge of business at G H, & a faithful, godly Minister, for the same place - & as many more good Laborers, as you can get, as soon as possible.

I had expected to bring with me some of the boys, to be educated - but the brethren have worked against me, in one way, & another, till I fear I shall not succeed in bringing any. —

Two thought they were coming, & so did I, till the morning I left - They were much disappointed - & should they not be sent to me. I fear they would feel so hurt, & disappointed after being encouraged to hope, by myself, Dr Lee & Wife & Mr Left, & think they were going - that they will become alienated, & leave the Mission, & be ruined - They came to me nearly 5 miles, in a small canoe, to ask about it - I told them I expected they were coming with me, & would yet do all I could for them - advised them to be quiet, & study till they heard from me. Thomas said "I cant study at K Mo - Mr Decker cant teach one" - And that is true, Geo, we have no one to teach our advanced boys - & when left, they get discouraged, & get off into trading, or something, & we lose them - & therefore, I have pleaded to have 4 or 5 of them sent to America, & educated, & fitted for Teachers, &c - But, I learn the Com are against it - & my brethren, every one, while they each, & all, at first, gave their approval, have worked against me in it, till I fear none will finally go - And if so If they are prevented, after all that has been said, & done, after all our need of Teachers, & Laborers - my brethren, I want you to know that I feel like giving up, & trying no more to get Laborers to come here; for you, if I am to be thwarted in all my efforts, to carry out a plan, which seems to be our only hope of getting native help to be depended on

Dr Lee has acknowledged, to my face, from the first of his coming; & has, to my face, encouraged me, & even proposed to me to take such a one —, & after all, has been working against me in the

If the Committee do not, speedily, order, plainly, some of our older, & more advanced boys, sent home, & be educated, by first chance — I do not want them & expect me to plead for friends, or Laborers. I have no heart to do it. As the Africans say, "My heart is spoilt", with respect to getting Laborers for our dear Mission, if we cant have some of our boys, thus prepared for Teachers. —

We must have native help — & this is our only way, to get a class of Teachers, such as we need. —

We have dallied too long — If you wish to save the labor of 10 years, on many of our dear boys, this is your only chance — for such is the care, labor, sickness, &c of the Missionaries, they cannot attend to, & advance them — Our Sierra Leone Teachers cannot teach them — they are already in advance of them! — Lest they are to be left — & thus, as it were, driven into Trade, & if all our labors, are to terminate thus — let us give up —

Take my advice then, & by England, write to the Members of the Mission, ordering Charles Jones, Thomas Tucker, Stephen Caulker, Isaac Phenix, & others of the most promising, to be sent to America, by first chance — if you wish to save the boys, & the Mission —

May the Lord direct you aright, to His glory —

I cant tell how soon, I may start — by first good chance, that offers, for New York — Please write to my Wife, & tell my expectations, & to see her this Summer. —

May the Lord help, & carry on His own work —

Your Bro., who feels deeply for you, in your trying circumstances — Geo. Thompson —

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Cincinnati April 15/56

G. W. Whipple
No 48 Beekman st
N.Y.

My dear sir

Your
of the 3rd came to hand in due time and was very gladly received.

Your favor in the final work upon African fevers by Ford was duly received and found to contain much of a scientific character which I hope may prove of some service to me hereafter Please receive my thanks for it and when I see you I will thank you more substantially Allow me to request you also to send any other works upon that subject with which you

you become acquainted from time to time and when I come to your city this fall I will pay you for them and your trouble. A letter also from Dr Cole has been received containing some valuable information and I anticipate another before long.

As to practical matters I must agree with you that what may seem to one to be eminently practical may to another be a mere speculation but still those speculations are sometimes of importance and a man who wishes to be useful desires as far as possible to be furnished in all both speculations and practical things and as I desire to be useful not a drone I wish to learn every thing I can that may in any way add to my ability to build up the redeemers kingdom.

Your kind comment upon Paul & your suggestions are truly appreciated for it has been to my sorrow that I have learned that the best of men do a say things sometimes with the best of motives which have a very strong tendency to wound the hearts and feelings of their associates & the cases cited by you have been very carefully studied upon this subject for years. I have also found that by nature I even as others have much of this hasty spirit and without the Love of God am not prepared to either bear or forbear. Though convinced of my own inability I thank God that through Jesus Christ strengthening me I can do all things

A review of my past life and the motives which have governed since I first found my Savior satisfies however that I have

but one desire in becoming a missionary. The Glory of God. From my infancy by prayer I have been consecrated to this work and ever since my first impression upon the duty of a minister it has been the constant star of my destination. But it has pleased God to lead my way through lands and providences unknown which I now feel assured have been for the purifying of my heart & strengthening of my faith.

The various hindrances which have been in my way have only the better prepared me for usefulness in the future. When I look over the providences of God my soul cries out with Paul as he spake to the Romans 11 33-36.

In reference to health for some years the preserving of health has been my study and the reward has

been an improved physical body I am now in that respect far better prepared for Africa than ever before But I may die soon. Be that as God wills.

From the various letters written in Africa and from Mr Moffits travels in southern Africa I am well satisfied in my own mind that the first thing to be done by the Missionary for the purpose of bringing the Gospel directly before the heathen and especially the adult is the knowledge of his own language by which you may without an interpretor bring the truths home to his own conscience Please give me your views upon this subject

Yours truly

For the Salvation of the world

W. B. Mott.

No 258, Richmond street

A. M. A. ARCHIVES NO. VIV.

W. B. Mitt
Cincinnati
April 12/56

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A pair of Gaiter boddies No 7s

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Good Hope April 21st 1876

Dear Brother Belden

Please purchase for me a good sized leather Trunk I have several trunks but they are small and out of repair Get one with a Tray to it. Also please give Mrs Burton money for me a pair of Gaiter shoes and a dref or two. If it is not to much trouble please box up the trunk and send by first company or good opportunity, Let the things be put in the trunk, and oblige your Sister,

R. L. Lefft,

P.S. My health is very good now but I am so lonely I sometimes feel that I cannot stay here very long I sometimes think I shall go to America another year. You need not be surprised if you see me next year. However I may not I cannot tell just as the Lord will. Pray for me that I may be guided aright. Love to Mrs Belden and children, Yours in Christ

R L Lefft

Mrs R. L. Leffel
to Belden
April 21/56

rec'd by BN
Aug 7/56

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Printing Establishment of the United Brethren in Christ.

Dayton, Ohio, April 22 1856

Mr. Lewis Tappan Esqr,
New York

A.M.R.C.A. NO. F1-2287 FISK UNIV.

Dear Sir- Enclosed I send you a draft for one thousand Dollars ($1000,00) funds of the "Missionary Society of the United Brethren in Christ," for which you will please procure a "letter of credit" to the order of Dan'l R. Flickinger and forward it, by the earliest and safest opportunity, to him at Freetown. Sierra Leone. West Africa. If you have adopted another method of sending funds to Africa, than that practiced 18 months ago you will, of course pursue, the same with our funds.

Please acknowledge the receipt

of the enclosed draft, at the earliest moment convenient. Addressed to me at Dayton Ohio

Respectfully Yours
Wm J. Shuey

S Tappan Esqr

Wm J. Shuey
Dayton Ohio
27th Mar 1856
Enclosing a draft for $100.
Have to ask a kindness of your Steam at the Steam Mills in consequence of a Mistake made by Enclosed Mr. Hay and hope it will not be an inconvenience to the Mills to do so.
Mr. Mills first cost

Good Hope Mission House
28 April 1856.

Rev. Geo. Whipple:
Cor Sec of A.H.A.

My dear Sir.

Mr. Burton continues ill and makes it necessary that he should get away from the Station before making out his report. By his request I have examined his books and submit the following report. of disbursements from the General Store & expences of Good Hope Station for the quarter ending March 31st 1856

From the General Store

Good Hope Station has drawn £266.18.8¼ less credit 6.11.6 £260.7.3¾ *
New Mendi Station has drawn £109.14.7 less Cr. 8.17.6. = £100.7.1
Broom Falls Station has drawn 135.9.4½
Total £496.13.8¼

25 Jan. I do not think have been added to the cost

Expences of Good Hope Station have been

For Family	£ 59.13.1
" Buildings	122.7.6½
" Mechanics	65.8.8
" Laborers	73.12.11
Presents	12.6
Total	£321.14.8½ *

Design to keep on 80 for at other 2 or 3 years

Yours respectfully
J. Shedd Brooks.

* The difference between 266.7.3¾ & 321.14.8½ is profit put on goods furnished from the Good Hope Station

Some of the Industrious Col & the Native are made at 50 & 100 bunch

John S. Brooks
to
G. Whipple
28 April 1856
Summary
of
Expenses

Write to Mr Brooks that such letter should be addressed to the Treasurer.

D. W. Burton

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Good Hope Mission House, M. M.
Sherbro Island. 29. April 1856.

Rev Geo. Whipple.
cor. Sec. of A. M. Association
48 Beekman St New York.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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My dear Brother.

You see I am again at Good Hope. It seems as if I could stop but a few days in one place, a "rolling stone" truly. I was compelled to come down in the first instance to get goods, as I could get no goods and was in debt. This was partly through design and in part from sickness of the Brethren at this station. They wanted me to come down River but I declined with so many excuses that they thought to try their hand and compell me to come down in which they succeeded.

On arriving at Good Hope I found Mr. Burton and the Dr. so low that I was glad that I came down. I stay here untill Dr. Lee returns from Town, if indeed he lives. O, I am sick of medicine, and Drs. Mrs. Lee I really believe is be one of the best of her kind. I believe she has a knowledge of the healing art that but few professing wisdom & skill in the same are able to boast of. But that Lobelia I dont like, the idea of prostrating the nervous system with one drug than freeing it up with another to keep the wheels of life agoing is to mysterious for me, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure yet. Away with carbonations, drinks & pills. Keep away the clogs, relieve the burdened overtaxed system by stopping the supplies till nature frees herself suits me better.

The next day after I left Boom Falls an immense company of Boompeys crossed the Boom just above McLaffyan to plunder Sumbwa. It appears that some one had been publicly flogged there by order of the Chief. The sufferer by revenge called this war party to plunder and do other damage. A slight skirmish took place in which some were wounded but no lives lost. The Chiefs jointly have given the parties Cassy - (the broken law to make good) and the parties offensive and defensive will be obliged to pay heavily for shedding blood.

This excitement has caused some uneasiness at McLaffyan but nothing alarming, our native agents do well for us.

Some of the clothing of the Sumbwa School has been taken in the general stripe to rob the unsuspecting. When the alarm first broke out Mr. Pitt the Teacher at Sumbwa was just about opening his school. He with others fled at once to McLaffyan. The excitement is fast subsiding now, and order is restored. It is thought that no serious evil will grow out of it.

The war question has assumed a different aspect from what we had feared. Mangamoo has been now about a year at Boompey trying all he can to make war on Kiongo He has fitted out several expeditions all of which have failed. He is now discouraged and greatly reduced as to men and means so he can do no more to disturbe the country.

The interior war is so hard on Kiongo that that tribe can get no room to trouble the people at Boom Falls. They are preparing themselves for a siege which they expect from their enemies. The small towns are being broken up and Kiongo is being fortified more strongly. Well are dug in the walls and

and building storehouses which are being filled with provision.

Mangamoo is too feeble to attempt to carry out his plans and threats to carry war to Loobos, so that the prospect is still favorable to peace at Boom Falls. The Chiefs of Loobos & that portion of Boompey bordering on the Boom country & river, are decidedly opposed to a movement against the refugees from Picongo, living in Eastern & northern Loobos. In case that an attempt be made to disturb them the Upper & Lower Boom people will at once declare against the Boompeys and close the River against the Chiefs very much dread.

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Some commotion is just now prevailing in & about Mo Kelly between the Upper Jony people & Sisy-Loobos. This is some security for the Boom Falls district as it attracts attention to that quarter, being only about twenty miles from us.

On the whole the prospect for peace or freedom from war is as good as it has been for some years back.

It is a grief to me to be called away so much from the Boom as I am anxious to build a small house at Mo Kadja this season, I hope still to build but will not be able to get along so well as if I could give my undivided attention to the Boom portion of our field. I want to make Mo Kadja my home if the Lord is willing, and have Boom Falls manned well for a Boarding School like Good Hope. My Circumstances are such I cannot take charge of such a school but could care for a station on a different foundation. I do hope you will find some family to take charge of the Boom Falls station at once.

Some weeks since a man was killed on Sabbath evening by a leopard at Kaw Mendi. He belonged to a Sabbath breaking family and had been in his farm all day and in the evening as he was about to lay down to rest a large leopard pounced upon him and killed him instantly. This calamity has had a good effect on the people of Kaw Mendi. Now there is not a Sabbath breaker in the place. The people throng the meetinghouse every Sabbath. It is hoped that good may grow out of this to the souls of those natives who have long withstood all efforts to lead them to Christ. Mr. Decker taking advantage of this occasion has instituted a meeting for religious instruction to which all are invited.

I hear good reports from the School and Church generally. But fear that some slight evils still exist here which call for an immediate visit from some of us, lest by neglect a greater evil grow out of it than anything we have had to distress us from without.

Love of drink and inconstancy are the sins of a person & there are things connected with Kaw Mendi which excite my fears that all is not right. But Mr. Thompson says I am a jealous man and too easily suspect the poor people of our charge to be a good Missionary.

Pray for us.

Unworthy your Brother

J. Chas. Brooks

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
No.
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Rev. J. C. Brooks
Mendi
April 24/58

Rec'd from Sabin
July 1

New York 29 April 1856

Revd. David H. Flickinger, West Africa
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in London at Four months sight
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for any sums not exceeding Two Hundred Pounds Sterling

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April 1856.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7290
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Mount Morris Ills
authority
to Rev D K Fleckenger
to draw for
£200 stg
Apl 29/56

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-1291
FISK UNIV.

Boston, U. S. A.
30 April 1856

Dear Brother Fleischinger,

Being here on a visit Mr Sheppard's letter of a recent date was sent to me. He ~~has~~ sent me a thousand dollars & desired me to forward to you a Letter of Credit for that amount. I immediately wrote to Rev. H. Bilder, the assistant Treasurer & requested them to procure one of Brown, Brothers & Co & send it to you as soon as possible. He writes that he has procured one & that it would be forwarded from England this day.

If you draw on me direct or by the way of England you may save 2 per cent which will have to be paid to Brown Brothers & Co if their Letter of Credit is used. Mr Barton has drawn on me at 30 days sight in this way, & sometimes our missionaries have ~~sent~~ had their drafts to the merchant in Freetown of whom they purchase the bills & the merchant in London to whom he is indebted. The London merchant sends the bill to me & I remit to him. Let your bills be at 30 days sight.

If however you use the Letter of credit you can use it for your drafts in such sums as you need. They can be drawn as you want the money or wish to make pay^t for what you owe

Whenever you make a draft please write a short letter of advice & attach it to your bill so that when the draft is presented to me for acceptance the letter will be presented also.

It will be best also to send me a duplicate of the letter of advice by the first opportunity after you draw.

I congratulate you on your marriage trust you & your dear wife so much happiness in each other & in doing good to others.

May the Lord bless you both full especially with you.

Truly yours
Lewis Tappan
Treasurer
AMA

The letter of credit is for £200. stg.

Rev. Mr.
Wilson
30 Mar 1852

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-1221
FISK UNIV.

Mich. H. Brown
Freetown
3 May 56
Rec'd 7/56

Freetown 3 May 1856.

To the American Missionary Association

Venerated Patrons,

Away from the busy scenes of Missionary life, having time to reflect on mission work and all its bearings having labored in the field 16 years. I have deliberately arrived at the conclusion that in order to be efficient laborers in the vineyard of our Lord and Master we must learn to "endure hardness a good soldiers of Jesus Christ", & that it is no more consistent for a number of Missionaries to locate together than it would be in America for a number of clergymen to be placed over the same church and their families compelled to dwell under the same roof. Would they not want to live differently? Would they not criticise on each others performances? And spend the time due to their pastoral duties in unprofitable discussions? Judge ye!

The A. B. C. F. Missions wrote us at Dwight "their large Stations caused them much trouble, whereas single stations went on harmoniously." Dr Judson who labored more than 30 years in Birmah "was decidedly opposed to large Missionary Stations. He believed them opposed to that selfdenying effort without which Missions must become a nullity." Instead of concentrating he was for scattering

I cannot say I feel satisfied to be making expenses to the Asso. but feel constrained to carry upon decisions relative to my future course of action. May the Lord direct in your decisions.

Missionaries, & sending them in every direction to establish new Stations. The more I think of the pulling down of the Kaw Mendi Mission House the worse it looks. In the first place we had not stations enough for our Missionaries. The whole six have been at Good Hope the most of the time since, & even there sickness reached them, & first they sent to me Miss McIntosh, & last saturday Mr. Burton, & wife & Doct. & Mrs Lee came here. Doct Lee & Mr Burton both having been dangerously ill at Good Hope. Br Thompson is here ill too with a great deal of prostration brought on by persecution, & perils among false brethren (if I can read it.) What is the matter when I have been at K.M. they have acclimated there.

Strange as it may seem the bundle of letters Br. Thomson brought me from Kaw Mendi, as I was perusing them a chill came over me succeeded by a violent fever And for the first time since in Africa medical advice was procured for me out of the [illegible] It is rather hard to have ones name cast out as evil. But then it is better if the will of God be so to suffer for well doing than evil doing". It matters very little who is against us if God be for us; and we can still feel a conscience void of offence toward God, & man. I have the consolation that the best of men have been called to suffer in the cause of Religion & rejoiced they were accounted worthy. And why should not I? for all who will

In opinion I fully coincide with Mrs. Sarah B. Judson as expressed in the 2 vol. Dr Judson's Memoir page 92. Start a fund with the work of many.

live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution", says our blessed Exampler. Dr. Judson remarked new Missionaries needed more trials instead of less, to prepare them for their arduous work. I hope it may not fall to my lot to smooth their pathway so much as formerly; but hope, & pray I may be permitted to labor directly for the salvation of souls among the natives. I think I could do more alone than associated with any ones. I am aware I should have to encounter some selfdenials, & some privations; but I would do it gladly if thereby I might increase my usefulness. I send you some lines expressive of my sentiments on this.

Oh for a place mid heathen clans
Where unmolested I might tell
The road which leads to Christ right hand
And how to scape the snares of hell.

For this I'd gladly spend my life,
And every power I have
I'd bear my toils, with trials rife
Those guilty souls to save.

I'd labor on my slotted years
If but an agent I might be
To spel their doubts ~~theiemists~~ to clear
Their greeves ~~have~~, ~~to worship~~ coldly free.

I'd gladly live on country food
And give all delicacies up
In order thus to do them good
That they with Christ, & his might sup.

I'd count all earthly gain but dross
This richer boon to give;
I'd bear earths scorn endure its cross
Might I but teach these how to live.

I am sorry to say our letters so seldom reach us. We have full proof of our letters not to the Christian world at Home. Letters written in kindness & with the purest motives. As Mr. Burton has so often threatened to expose my letters at the Rooms, I have asked him for them.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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And when my work below is done
I'd wait to hear my Father's call
Come home! come home, my faithful one,
And thou shalt find, I'm all in all.

The fiery trial thou hast passed
Thy robes are washed & wholly clean
Thy crown receive thine own at last
Come share my choicest friends esteem.

H. More

I would have been at Ham Mendi now had not the brethren opposed. Though all my English Missionary Associates with whom I have advised think it would be presumption for me to live in a country house during the rains. Should I live to see the dry season I am willing to try it, with your approbation any where in the country where it is deemed admissible. I am invited to join the English Missionaries and labor with them. But I do not like the church forms, as well as our mode of worship & choose to decline.

Another thing which leads me to this, is my knowledge of how Br. Tefft was persecuted by Burton & Dr Cole for being employed by the Eng as a Dentist and being so popular with them when called to be in town for business or illness. I doubt not some are now watching for my haltings, & looking for some indication that I have left the Mendi Mission. Were it not for this I might at this moment be teaching a select School, & making handsome wages, which I think would be far better than as we now are 7 of the Mende Missionaries now boarding here at Capt. Sumners with me at the expense of not less, (I presume) than 30 dols. per week, as Dr. Lu has a servant, & the little boy

I send you enclosed a part of the letter I received from the Dear Ones at Ham Mendi, that they may see for themselves of how I am there regarded. I have to say in this connection, that my letters to them are entirely at your disposal & I hope & not for merely to satisfy them.

Plymouth May 6th 1856

Mr Lewis Tappan
Brooklyn N. Y.

Dear Father in Christ.

Your letter of Apr 1st, authorizing me to draw on you for two hundred dollars, has been duly received, but does not answer my purpose. None of our Plymouth merchants will accept, or give money for the order - although some of them have this Spring purchased goods in your City -

I wish you would send me a check as early as convenient as I am carrying on my building operations through borrowed money - Two hundred dollars will not be as much as I shall need - for the completion of my house, yard &c - The house is now being plastered, and I have already expended something over that amount - If desired I can send you a bill of all my building expenses. If you could send me the principal and interest of the note you would confer a great favor -

In haste - Your Missionary -

Marthes C Thompson

Martha C. Thompson
6 May 1856
Wants checks

13 May
Corrects & endorsed
Checks for $100
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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7294
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20 Bread Street Hill
London May 6th 1856

Lewis Tappan Esqr

Sir

We enclose a Bill drawn upon you for £200, which please accept payable in London and return to us in due course, or, if you prefer holding the Bill till it is due, we of course presume you will then send us your Draft payable here at sight

You will recollect that, a former Bill we sent you drawn at 30 days, after keeping it till it was nearly due, you sent us a 60 days Bill in payment of it, we think this must have been a mistake, at any rate it is not the custom here

Yours respy

Thos Morgan & Son

√ Tho. Morgan & Son
May 6/56
enclosing Bill of
Exchange, D. W. Bustard
of 8 ahl 50 dys.
recd May 22d

wrote J M Ann
26 May

I ask Mrs Brown Wrote
Mr S. Brown says, 24 May
that if a Bill is drawn on the
~~together~~ I can remit either
the right to London or a 60
day bill. But if it is drawn
together London I can
before the right exchange remit
a 60 day bill.

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A. M. E. ARCHIVES
NO. E-7295
FISK UNIV.

Fairview May 4th 1866

George Whipple
Cor Sec A.M.A.

Dear Brother

You see about that we are not at the mission. Our whole family have been here two weeks. I have gone through very exhausting process. After 4 months incessant toil, just as we were ready to go to the Japan pre Bertha was taken very ill and it seems necessary to leave the mission that he return to America. Then Bro Thompson took sick, I was up one night with his Bertha & another with him, shipped his goods, loaded & unloaded canoes, attended to 20 men superintended the new building. All this prostrated me, I started down to recruit & have found Thompson who treated me most distant and coldly, he never came to my room only to ask medical advice. Mrs Lee worn down by excessive labors was prostrated on her bed, begging for the

task

& Mrs & Mr. Burton are & have been very kind to us. but to add to our misery Thompson bought a great Babboon and turned loose in the house, he screamed & made all kinds of noises. We both on our beds, I was able to walk about the room, the Babboon would come into our room and take articles off our table, and annoy us very much. at last he came screaming and bounding into the room with a stolen article, got under the bed and could not or got out. I got up and tried then turning around beheld Thompson watching the whole affair and doing nothing, in an unguarded moment I called to him to take out his babboon that he was more like one than anything else.

He took advantage of this, hips more exulted, and when the Family returned who were out. I had a pallaver raised about being called a babboon. He has the material, and it will make several pages in the Book

He says he will put it on his journal.

Now I was sorry at once that I had said it, and confessed my error and am really sorry for it and of course you will show this to him and he may learn it again as he is now aware of it. But if he persists in publishing it he is to have no benefit of the above paragraph but I will write the manuscript for his publication & I will sign it. It may excite attention to the true condition of affairs.

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Garnett tell him

I am sorry to write about such things, but I felt it my duty to do so, as you have things to learn about that mean that will pierce your heart as they have mine, with many sorrows. Look deep and see his motives. Brother Burton can tell of some of his actions. Do not be deceived with his sanctified demeanor. God save him is my prayer

D. Lee / May 8. 1856. Rec'd July 1

I have so often expressed my opinion about taking any of the boys to America that it seems useless to say more. Did not Mr Thompson say he had the consent of all the Brethren? I would be willing (with the consent of the committee) to send some of our boys to America if we had any to send. But we have none who are prepared to be sent except William Tucker and I learn he is going to marry and of course cannot come. Thomas Jacobs the one that will be brought has been very careful at Kaw Mendi and behaved tolerable well but was intellectually very as well as physically so. Since we have been sick and come away from the mission I learn that him and Mr. Y. have correspondence he once used to go to the St. L. and Thomas has carried high, we heard that he rode around to the villages on Sunday in a boat, said the Mission had turned him out in the bush, and there was no one there to track him. I intended to take him into my charge when I returned again and read these things and sent for him and turned him over to Mr Thompson. I do not cannot recommend him as being worthy of your patronage.

On another sheet I have an other subject of more importance

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. 71-1296
FISK UNIV.

Charly's Return

Dear Brother with a very faltering hand and so weak, this is the 5 week of illness. I have not yet been out to walk, but improve as well as could be expected. Mrs Lee has I hope reached and passed the crisis and though prostrate I trust she will recover. We have had the kindest attention from Mrs Pitts & Bro & Sister Burton. We are comfortably situated in the House Mr. Hickinger bought. We will return to the mission as soon as we are able.

You will be surprised to see that Charles is sent back to America with Mr & Mrs Burton who kindly volunteered to take him along. We do not return him on account of his health for he could live with us. But we find that unless we are constantly watching him and never loose sight of him, he will sink to the level of heathen children

with whom he is confined, if he has playmates, to associate with. A white child here is almost worshiped, hoary gray haired old men & women bow down to them.

May 2nd. Dr & Mrs Gee are both much this morning and we hope soon to be well.

In reference to Charles. He is a bound Apprentice to me according to the laws of Indiana and we adopted him in our own mind as our child and consecrated him to God as our gift. We feel toward him as parents. But we deem it best to send him to America. We have no relatives to whom we could send him. Dr & Mrs Burton kindly volunteered to take him and try to find him a place they said they would advise with the committee which we deem proper. We trust there will be no difficulty concerning him.

Amid all the troubles connected with this mission Bro. Whipple do not be discouraged. There are good times ahead, when she shall have been purged from the dross by the fire she is now in she will shine brighter than ever. The prospect for usefulness never was better. It may be necessary to entirely remove Hau-Menli school, and it is my & indeed the opinion of all the ot had better be done. but it will leave behind a hot bed of corruption that as long as we keep up that station, will cause us trouble. Ah Bro. Whipple did you but know of the performances that have taken place there, you would think you had sent heathen out here to corrupt the natives! This is strong language, but we expect one of the Committee out here next dry season to know these things for themselves

Br. Lee. May 1856. Charles Rec'd July 1

Nevertheless amid all the chaff there is wheat. there are good true consistent christains in the church at Hamamendi and the scholars are in advance of any in the mission. We would take care of the good upon which so much labor has been bestowed in case of an entire removal.— However we will do no more in the matter until we hear from the committee.

AMERICAN ARCHIVES NO. FISK UNIV.

Dear Bro. Whipple— My past sickness & deep suffering have endeared me to my work. I feel more like living for God than I have ever done my vivacity and buoyancy I think will return and I will still love this climate. I more than ever feel like staying in Africa. If however the committee disapprove of our operations and condemn our course in reference to Hamamendi and Kifs more— & they see proper to recall Br. Thompson & Kifs more to the Kifs side we have no other alternative than to consider ourselves recalled and must leave the work. We have acted from principle and cannot go back. We came unprejudiced in favor of any party in the mission and if one pleased me and the pleased the other, self was not the motive. Yours anxiously awaiting an answer

D. P. Lee

Rev. Geo. Thompson
Freetown, Mr. Africa
May 10th 1850

Rec'd July 12/56

Mr. S. Tappan.

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George Whipple

48 Beekman Street

New York

U. S. A.

Per Mail Steamer
via England.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. 4291
FISK UNIV.

Freetown, May 10/56.

Dear Bro Whipple

I have been here 4 weeks this eve, waiting for a vessel - most of which time I have been sick - have had only 2 "chills" - but felt symptoms, many days - been bilious, & all run down - not able to walk, but little without exhaustion - But, thanks to the dear Savior, for a few days I have been improving slowly. -

Just 2 weeks, after my arrival, Burton & Wife, & Dr Lee & Wife, & child, arrived - Burton & Wife, bound for America !!! - taking Dr Lee's little Charlie with him - & Dr Lee, sick - had been very sick at Good Hope, after 2 left. -

Brooks, & Mr Tippt were left in charge of Good Hope till Dr Lee's return -

Dr L. improved after he arrived - so that he walked about the house, & out - Mrs Lee had one or two ill turns - but seemed to rise above them. -

But, dear Bro Whipple. I write this ~~note~~, to send by the Eng. Mail, hoping it will reach you, before Burton & I shall get home - I hear that many things have been written to the Com., & against me - tho they have not no charges to my face. Behind me, I hear what has been talked, but cannot now speak of it particularly - tho I know some things - many I do not. I know not what they have against me (I mean the Missionaries of M.M.) - nor what they have written - but feeling a "conscience void of offence" - that I have given no just occasion for any such feelings on the part of Burton, or Lee, I have only to request you to withhold all judgment in the case, until you "see me face to face", when I shall wish to know what charges are preferred against me, & what has been said about me. I have had no quarrel with any one, nor will I - but bear with meekness, all that they may say or do - "looking unto Jesus", my "Hiding Place" -

For some cause, there is a very bitter state of feeling against me, in Burton & Wife, & Dr Lee & Wife's hearts. The cause I know not. With respect to Burton, it is the expressed opinion of many that his spite has its foundation in the fact that I got for my Wife, the woman he had his mind on, tho he had never said a word to her about it. —

I know not - he has never hinted it to me - tho I believe he has, to others, who have spoken to me about it. —

At any rate, ever since he came here, he has steadily set himself against me, & Rev Mendi - yea more, against every thing that he did not have a hand in starting - against Mr Lappan, & every thing else, if he did not propose it. — Such has been his course - And, in my absence to Liberia, he gratified his heart, in breaking down the house at R M, so as effectually to prevent Miss More, Myself, or any white person, from going there. — & the labors, sufferings, deaths, &c of 12 years, are thus mostly thrown away - the confidence of the country people & chiefs in the Mission, is destroyed, & they are vexed - four large girls & boys, whom we were looking to for teachers & preachers, have not a soul among all the Missionaries left, who feel an interest in their salvation, or who will try to thus prepare them.

Our souls are greatly distressed! The Missionaries in town feel that it is a reproach to the cause of Xt, Miss More, & I are classed together, in their behalf. —

I have all written down in my Journal. Wait, till you see me, & we have long talks together. —

Should you see Burton, before me, get all you can out of him, against me, & R M, that I may answer.

May the Lord give you wisdom, & all needed grace

Your persecuted Missionary, Geo Thompson

May 16/56. Dear Bro Whipple. Bro Burton & Wife have just gone out, in the Brig Trenton, Capt Berry, for Salem. I had expected to go on the same vessel, but the Capt filled up his vessel so full of hides, he said he could not take any things - so I have concluded to wait for the next chance - The Sam French is here, from New York, which may get ready to sail in 4 or 5 weeks - on which I expect to go - Capt Sumner & Wife are talking of going on the same vessel. I expect also, to bring with me 2 of our boys. I am forced to do it to save them from being driven into Heathenism, by the Missionaries who remain!!! - I can explain all, when I see you

A. M. A. ARCHIVES NO. FISK UNIV.

My Brethren have acted very disgracefully in the affair - When they manifested openly their opposition to my taking the boys - after I came of Jordan - up to that time they had acted as if they approved of my taking them, & Dr Lee, especially, helped on the thing by word & actions - but, as above, when I saw their opposition, I said, I leave it - & told Jerusha & the boys to give up the idea of going, till they could hear from me, from America - But when Burton & Lee heard here, that Mr. Tucker had written to me, expressing disappointment at not going, & they told me "We shall send for him, & he must up stairs" I objected - He said they should do it - & if he did not go, he should not stay in the Mission !!!! - That's this in brief, I said "If he comes, I am willing, still to take him" - And Charles Jones has gone to the Mission in the canoe - if he comes in time I expect to take him also. —

My health is improving - & I begin to do a little —

I shall be home, D.V., as soon as the Lord will suffer me to come — —

Send word to Wife. — Much love - be patient, till you come -

Mount up labors — Your Bro. Geo Thompson —

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. II-7298
FISK UNIV.

May 12th 1856
Mendi Mission

Our Future Operations

Dear Bro. Wilkinson — Just as soon as we are able we will return to Gaudoba and take Bro & Sister Buttrick's place and carry out their plans, until their return.

Their plans are as follows.

The school is to be under Miss McIntosh controll. There are I believe 24. 12 Boys & 12 Girls none of them far advanced, yet orderly well trained, & promising children they are treated as members of the family, and to kept as much as possible from native influence. When old enough the boys to be taught trades, & Boys & Girls to be taught to read.

There do not appear to be any precocious boys who will equal some at Home Mendi yet we may get one or two teachers out of the number.

The house is not to be finished this long season. There is a gully to fill, and a much of the garden to make.

I have not yet become well enough acquainted with the walk and conversation of the professors of religion here, though there are a good many of them. I shall immediately on my return consult with Bro. Brooks who is at Good Hope during our absence, about the matter and if advisable a church will be formed. I shall preach as often as strength will permit, but the most profitable meeting for inquirers after truth are catechetical exercises. There is no stability of character with this people and we can have a revival at any time they can work themselves into such a state of excitement that they will shout, sing, just as the circumstances under which they are placed. They are always for a boonda dance as they are for a "precious meeting". Ignorance of their true character has caused much trouble to our mission. But I leave my subject. I know of no other plan to keep up our Boom Stations if we do not

get Wella, than to open out stations at convenient distances apart, first native teachers at them, having good houses so that we can stop over night in going up and down the River. I will try very hard for Wella but it is doubtful about it. As for sending all our sick to town to recruit it is too expensive that the mission cannot and ought not to bear, when they can get equally as good place of their own.

Mountain Island is a most lovely spot, and if we cannot get Wella I know we can get that place, and with the consent of the committee, next dry season we can get it and finish the building once commenced by a chief who was going to furnish himself there.

I would here state that in case Bro. & Sister Burton do not return I do not wish to remain at the station where the General store is. I much dis-

D. L. Lee May 12/35

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~~Like~~ the business ~~of~~ a merchant and clerk, who ever fills the Good Hope should like the business. But above all things they should have a Godly Consistent, Minister of the Gospel.

From Observation the following Physical constitutions who endure this climate best. Persons with large heads, broad the chest a tough wiry frame work. a determination to go a head, and an active doing it. are the characters best adapted to this climate. Mrs Burton does not appear to have a rugged frame work. but she had the others. I have not the large head but I have the other characteristics. I person of soft light silken hair might flourish for a while. A slow sluggish temperament particularly if accompanied with Blue eyes, would be a victim in a short time. These observations are imperfect, and limited, but will be of service, send no dark complexioned slower of motioned men to Africa.

An item I finish— George Thompson had an excellent opportunity to go on the vessel with Mr & Mrs. Burton & had given the captain to understand he would go with him, paying $5 l. But the captain could not take all his museum & menagerie that could have come in six weeks. But he would not go with this vessel. Thus by causing a bill for boarding & extra price for passage he not less than $70 to be paid by the Mission for his monkeys, Babboons & Grogrees. This is the way plenty of money to squander for such trash. as this $70 taken happens $300 (a bill of items) But I close. Yours in Christ

D. L. Lee

D. W. Burlew

Fulton, May 14/56

£200 - 30 d/s.

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F7-2299
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Memo.

about Burton's draft
w/ Jam. I. Ezzidio
made July 1866

wrote to Ezzidio
21 July. LB

See copy of letter
to Van Hoffman
in the file

younger brother of Wm E. Tucker

Refer to Wm B. Tucker's ~~letter~~.

Can confidence be placed in his statements?

Refer to some things in his letter. He has done some wrong things. He wrote to L.S. against G.T. Lyon is persuading G.T. to come here to America. This letter shows the spirit of the African Corp. He is now 22 years.

Dr Lee, in letter annexed, says "it is just with the consent of all who are here now." He does say whether it was read by all. Mrs Fletcher does not say upon its accuracy.

Dr Lee speaks severely of G. W.

Several Letters - referring to letter of Dec 25 1854.

Did the old missionaries object to it? Mr & Mrs Fletcher do not think the letter ~~of~~ severe. G.W. meant to include himself as well as the missionaries abroad.

Miss McIntosh says that Dr Lee said the Com. had given him authority "to remove Kaw mendi Station" if he thought it unhealthy even if it had to be destroyed by fire. "Some of our missionaries require written credentials."

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. EI-7300
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Miss McIntosh says she has sent Mrs Tappan a small jar of guavas jelly by Mrs Fletcher's. (Rec^d)

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Told Mr F. of the $1000 rec'd from Mr Sheen & that I had not a letter of cr

He said he had bot a house at Marlow with a view to offer part of it to the Alma. That the $1000 wd be drawn for to pay for house &c

He says they pay 50 per cent profits on all imported articles Egypt pays England

[Wrote to Cornelio said how hardly what cost profit he charges]

He should export the Hatch articles we have at Moscow

We ought to have a business man Baldwin is said to be a good business man

Candidates ought to be faithfully exd & accepted only on a vote of the missionaries & teachers & not the church itself.

A boy was whipped & admitted to church the same day

Members of Isaac & Kaw mendi are whipped for bad conduct.

It is the opinion of our missionaries are rather loose about admitting to the church

Butler flogged a woman (member of the ch) recently for fornication. She was 16 Cobb's wife. Flogged her 5 or 6 times until she submitted.

Mr F. thinks we ought not only have a established character. He thinks Dr Jones Lee made rather a favorable impression.

They think well of Mrs Morris puts Sabbatham

There is a strict discipline in Jonathan's

a little plain in his conversation & perhaps indelicate.

They think she could get along at Kaw mendi with any other white person

perhaps

Worker & careless in business matters

Not strong

Butler said he would go with the U.

Mathews & they would support him

Mrs Butler heart not in the work.

The missionaries are jealous of G. J. & he has perfect at Kaw mendi Sunday

Minutes of interview
with Antelope Hick-
ories, 15 May 1866

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FH 301
FISK UNIV.

V Dr Lee

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Dear Sister Tappan & Sgr.

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From my window I see the vessel, tacking her way out of harbor. Which vessel contains Bro. & Sister Burton & Charly with many prayers that she may reach yonder port we bid them farewell. and now "our house is left unto us desolate" Lobo will bear the heat and burden of the day as well as he. silently & apparently neglected. he has built up and started a station which promises to surpass any other. an immense amount of work has been done at Good Hope about which nothing has been said. when completed it will be a pretty and convenient home; though its situation is not desirable.

The vessel is the Brig Trenton Capt. Berry bound for Salem Mass. They are comfortably provided for but the cabin is small.

David S. Lee

This is also to inform you that Bills of Exchange were drawn on you dated 14th May, for two hundred pounds Sterling £ 200 payable thirty days after sight, in favor of John Egzidio.

The bills of exchange are preferable to letters of Credit. You pay a premium for the letter there and we must loose a discount on them here, if we want to ~~discount~~ cash them. If we give Bills of exchange based on them. Those that we give now, are always prefered.

There will be other bills drawn shortly for thirty pounds £ 30, for Bricks. This I think will sufficient to take us safely through the rainy season & hope for 6 months. The greatest expense now is the workmens pay we will be discharging them and their pay is cash.

Bro. Sappan - If you send Missionaries

this season do not send more than two families, we will not have room for more and too many even missionaries in a house, is not conducive to peace and harmony, Stowed & packed as they were to be at Kau-hendi was the cause of their dissensions. This idea of men and women all eating at the same table, all claiming the rights & privileges all Masters & Mistresses will never succeed. Let each Family have their own home, live at least 20 miles apart then the influence of a mission will be felt. I will be content to live in as cheap a manner as is necessary but let me live in peace.

This season Bro. Brooks will be off the Boom & I will have all the female help and he have none. In the government of the Mission Families heretofore there has been no acknowledged head & bishop of the family. This, some have considered the only plan they could adopt, because the committee

have not given explicit rules for all these things. Whether it is necessary judge ye. As for me and my family I shall consider myself left in charge until the return of Bro. Burton, or one to supply my place.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

The Slave Trade is not carried on, but not that of loading vessels and shipping them to America, at least from this part of the coast. The Soosoos (mahomedans) are spreading themselves all over the country and they buy up all the slaves they can, and ship them in large canoes back to their own country, they are set free if they turn mahomedans. The canoes pass Freetown and are often taken.

The want of stamina of character to all these people along the coast, is the want of government. The whole poulation appears to be like the land of Israel after they were carried and strangers filled the land. So many tribes & languages. Good Hope station is in the midst of such a field, all ready to hear the gospel, yet there is hope of even that community. And if God give me strength again I shall labor more in preaching to them even if I neglect some of the other labor. We, Mrs. Lee & I are both on our feet again and hope soon to return to the mission

Yours in Christ

Dayton O May 20/56

Rev Geo Whipple

Dear Bro – I have just recieved a note from Mr Eggidio of Freetown W.A. enquiring after those old periodicals which I brought from Africa and left in your hands to be bound, also an order for a pair of Arm Chairs &c all of which were to be forwarded to Mr E as soon as completed. Will you please inform him as to what disposal has been made of them? Whether they have been shipped or not and when, and by what vessel. He seems to be somewhat anxious about them as he thinks they ought to have been recieved by him ere this.

Very Sincerely Yours
Wm J. Shuey

A. M. A. ARCHIVE
NO. FI-7302
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Rev. W. J. Shuey
Dayton O.
x May 24/50

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Freetown 20 May 1856

Dr & Mrs. Lee,

In vain have I sought for an opportunity to speak to you of what has seemed to me the injustice of your course of conduct toward not only myself but toward the Mission generally, whose reputation is thereby stigmatized, as you have given them occasion to make plenty of remarks on the inconsistency of your conduct, relative to the breaking down of the Kaw Mendi Mission House. It seems to be an unheard of thing in the annals of Missions to pull down an almost new Mission House with commodious apartments for a Mission family, & school children, & the more so as we had not houses sufficient for the accommodation of our Missionaries already in the field as yourselves very well know, there has been too many of you at Good Hope to be efficient coworkers in a mission field any where. For the Church, & Wesleyan Missions have found it best to have but few at their Stations, & even in favored Am

you also accuse me of having desired to leave the Mendi Mission & without a vestige of truth, you cannot substantiate it for it is false

that boasted land of freedom, & mutual rights, & privileges where all are allowed to worship God according to their own views & would ~~it not~~ be inconsistent to expect peace, & united fellowship where different denominations, from different states, with entirely different habits dwell under the same roof, & sit at one common board & attempt to manage the same business. Experience has shown that two or three Missionaries at a Station are enough to manage it. On the other hand where many are located together some will find time to censure the others.
It is a well known fact that the Missionaries used to acclimate at Kaw Mendi & you must expect ~~them~~ others to censure you for pulling down the unhealthy locations & then leaving the healthy ones as soon as sick, & coming here to acclimate. I probably hear more of this than you as my acquaintance is more extensive having shared the hospitality of both Church, & Wesleyan Missionaries for weeks, & months, without expense to the Mission.

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At Dr Deckers I spent some months while acclimating, and their thorough appreciation of my way of managing children led them to place their daughter with me, & still leads them to desire me to take her again, telling me they consider me more competent to train children for usefulness than themselves. Having both been at Shaw Mendi and seen for themselves, ought they not to know? As it regards my signing that Article for the removal of Shaw Mendi, I did so because I had imprudently rested too much confidence in the united opinions of my brethren, having inadvertently given my word that if unanimous I would not oppose. On mature consideration I have become satisfied that I was wrong in doing so, for the word of God is explicit on the point, that we are forbidden to go with the multitude to do evil. And the removal of Shaw Mendi, I can but view as an evil though the falling down is a far greater one. You doubtless recollect our discussing the subject of removal and deeding it must take some years before a station could be built sufficiently large for the removal of our school, for we ever intended

taking the most promising children along with us. You may also recollect my stating at table my intention of remaining at K.M. till the buildings were completed, so as to remove comfortably. Giving you my reasons, that as I had experienced the trouble of the workmen, the noise &c in the building of the Kaw Mendi House, I knew what it was & was of opinion that others in their turn should know. And furthermore that I was of too independent a turn of mind to intrude myself either at Good Hope or Mt. Tappan while there was plenty to carry on those Stations without my aid, & at Kaw Mendi there was always enough to do. Therefore you must be fully aware I deliberately made up my mind to remain at Kaw Mendi.

On my arrival at ~~Kaw Mendi~~ Freetown one of the first things I did was to write to the Com. A.M.A. for permission to do so. Of course I did not expect or wish you to stay with your prejudices against the place. And I thought facts might be adduced to prove that Kaw Mendi was as healthy a location as either of the other Stations for the present as it was longer settled. After proper time for intelligence from the Rooms, then should it on all hands be thought best to give up K.M. I would acquiesce in it.

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And when you proposed that I should leave H. M. for a little rest, I was ignorant of yours, & Mr. Burton's plans to get me away that my voice might not be heard in apposition to your plans of destruction. Had I understood you, think you I should have proposed coming to town with Abby? When the dire catastrophe of Kaw Mendi reached mine ears, how were they pained? to learn that the large, & expensive House I had seen go up from the foundation stones to the finishing stroke was in shattered ruins broken & demolished! Can you wonder that such news should be astounding to me? Having left there my valuables, the keys to my private papers & what to me seemed most sacred, & what was more than silver or gold could purchase the warm hearted love of affectionate children who regarded me with Maternal solicitude. Both head & heart were sick, & I was obliged to retire to my room & bed. Was it possible those Missionaries I had so lately welcomed to my home and a participation in my labors could be so relentless as to deprive me of a home, & endeavor to render my arduous labors I had long been pursuing as inefficient as possible by sending many of those back to heathenism, & leaving the remainder with a native teacher not competent to teach, and

& govern them? I now ask if after doing all this to me, entering my room built expressly for me, & making what disposition of my things you liked in my absence, how you could blame me for writing as warm hearted, & spirited Note as I did? Would you not have done the same? But granting I was in the fault, Did you take the Bible way to convince me of it? Did you go, & tell me my fault between me & yourselves, & see whether I would hear you? Or did you do the world's way of seeking revenge by writing a Letter first to the Rooms A.M.A. & then to me forbidding my return to the Mission? And was that the right way to gain a Brother or Sister? Let your own consciences answer this before God at whose tribunal we are to receive judgment.

Atoms by your writing first to the Executive Committee that you intended not to provoke to love & good works, but otherwise. Had you been more lenient you cannot tell the results. The word of Divine truth does say "A soft answer turneth away wrath; but grievous words stir up anger".

And what more grievous than at a stroke to have an unsullied reputation assailed? To be left at the same time a houseless

homeless stranger, with not a relative this side the broad Ocean? And this when I have it in your own hand hand writing that I "left the Mission in peace, & love with all."

Is it right thus to treat me? Would you that others should deal in the same rash way with you? Are we not all liable to err? Was not even Moses the meekest man once "provoked so as to speak unadvisedly with his lips"?

Did you think of the unnecessary expense accruing from ~~boarding etc?~~ to the A.M.A.

Now in concluding let me ask who is the aggrieved, & injured party, & to whom should reparation be made and pardon craved? Should it not be to the one most deeply injured? And is it not the one whose reputation was assailed? Whose home was demolished in her absence? And whose pupils were left unprotected to return to their idolatrous families? Or shall we consider the injured those to whom that Note was Addressed containing those truthful words of inspiration, which are being fulfilled?

I pause for a reply

On my return from the Mission, Hannah More

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. EL-1304
FISK UNIV.

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Yours D. F. Lee

F. Lee M.D.

President.

Dayton O May 21/85

Mr Whipple

Dear Bro- I copy a request made by Mr Ezzidio of Freetown which I am not prepared to comply with from the fact that I possess not the information necessary to do so. Perhaps you or some person about the Missions rooms can furnish him the desired reference to some good house of business in N.Y.

"I beg to ask you the favor if you can recommend me to any house in New York to do business with for Cash in the line of provisions such as flour &c. Any time I may want any thing, provisions &c I will remit to him."

So far as recommending Mr E is concerned as a man of honest straightforward business habits and reliableness I hesitate not in giving it as my opinion that he possesses all these, and I would trust him for any reasonable amount.

I am Yours Respectfully
Mrs J. Sluey

I laid this matter before Mr Thos Rigney 37 Pearl St. He says he will give attention to it & attend to all orders from Mr Ezzidio.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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~~Mr. J. Davis's~~
Mr. J. Shuey,
Dayton O.
May 21/56

Rev Geo Whipple
48 Dearborn St
Chicago Illinois

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. A-1306
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Rooms of the American Missionary Association.
48 Beekman-Street,
New-York May 24 1856

Miss Hannah More.
Freetown. W. Africa.

My dear Sister

I wrote you April 11. acknowledging the receipt of your letters of Feby 14. & 19th. Since then we have received from Africa, by Bro. & Sis. Flickinger, various letters, among which are yours of Mch 17. 19. 24. & 27th and your comments on the "copy" which Dr Lee sent you of part of his letter to me. I will say nothing about the distress which the subject of the greater part of these letters has caused us all, further than to say, that deeply as we mourn the death of so many of our dear brothers and sisters in Africa, our distress on that account is as nothing, compared with that occasioned by the continual differences and dissensions of the laborers we have sent out there. In the case of our departed brethren and sisters, our loss and Africa's loss is their gain, but where is the gain, when we lose, the mission loses, and Africa loses, and God is dishonored by the strife and contention of his professed children!!

Your letter of Mch 17th would have caused us great anxiety, if it had reached us before the report of Bro. Thompson's death was contradicted. Your renewed devotion of yourself to the work of the world's conversion, when you heard of his death, is gratifying to us, and I doubt not

sues approved of God. This is the true spirit, and should characterize every christian warrior. As our ranks are thinned out, we should close up, and endeavor to make up by compactness and energy for the loss of members.

In that letter you say to the Ex. Com. "Your next duty is "to sift Mendi Mission as wheat is sifted, and try us as gold "is tried and clear the field of Achans. Let every trouble be "recalled" ~~rooted out~~. Subsequent letters lead us to think that God is suffering you all to pass this a fiery trial. My prayer is that, you may ultimately shine as the refined Gold. At this distance, it is difficult for us to say who the trouble is, or to decide, whom we may recal with hope of thus, at once removing the cause of the dissensions and heart-burnings that exist there. I doubt whether the calling home of any one will do this. Feeling thus, I turn to the more grateful, tho still painful task of endeavoring to secure harmonious cooperation among you all. How honorable to you all, and how acceptable to the blessed Savior it would be, if this could be accomplished. I am sure it can be done, if each one would consider self as nothing; and the cause of Missions, the honor of God as all. Will you not thus feel and act, leaving yourself, your feelings, your reputation to be vindicated by God, while you give yourself wholly, to the work of converting the heathen and training them to a life of holiness?

I have since repeatedly your letter to the Missionaries of Feb 25. their "address" to you and your comments on Dr Lee's letter. You will expect me to tell

how I regard them: and will, I doubt not desire me to be frank with you. I am not pleased with any one of them as a whole, and am much grieved and surprised at some parts of some of them.

The removal of the R. M. station, seems to have been the immediate, and fruitful occasion of all this unhappy correspondence, and action. I do not find any record of Committee, or any line of instruction given to Dr Lee, or remember of having any conversation with him, nor of hearing others converse with him, which could be construed as authority given to him to remove the R. M. station. And yet I do not doubt that, if he has said he had such authority, he honestly thought he had. Probably he must have supposed that he derived it from something, that some one of the officers, or members of the Com., may have dropped in conversation. If the Com. had meant to give any such authority they would have put it on record. No such authority was given; yet I conceive it very possible that Dr Lee supposed he had authority. While I fear that evil may result from reducing the station so hastily, and feel a regret that the Ex. Com. were not consulted about it before hand, I am not certain that its speedy reduction may not prove to have been wise. At any rate, the thing is done and however much the doing of it may have rent our hearts and alarmed our fears, our duty now is to do the most good we can in the circumstances. I do not doubt that the brethren & sisters who voted for the

taking down of the house, did what he then thought best. If they erred, they will probably see their error, and mourn over it. Let us not try to increase their grief by our reproaches, and especially not by impeaching their motives.

A. ARCHIVES NO. FISK UNIV.

Your letter of Feb'y 25th. Oh how I wish you had never written it. I think I can conceive how you felt when you heard that the house in which you had lived, and labored, and prayed, and suffered, & rejoiced, and mourned, was taken down; and your agony at the thought that some of the youth whom you loved and for whose salvation you hoped, some whom you perhaps hoped would be gems in your crown of rejoicing, would be scattered and perhaps stumble and perish upon the dark mountains of sin. I can understand your apprehension that, in the general removal of the goods &c, valued testimonials from friends never to be seen again in the flesh, precious mementos of departed & sainted fellow laborers or relatives would be lost, or were lost; but that was the time for you to commune with your own heart and with God, and be still. It was not the time for writing to those who had done these things. Especially was it not the time for reproach. You were too deeply moved to trust your own spirit. You would be in danger of speaking in haste as did David, or unadvisedly as did Moses. I think my dear Sister that you did both; but I have confidence in you that you will not persist in wrong, nor be offended, when I kindly

and in a spirit of love, endeavor to point out your error, not for the purpose of increasing your grief, but to comfort you by giving you the opportunity of correcting it.

A.M. ARCHIVES [redacted] NO. [redacted] FIELD UNIV.

In your letter of Feb 27th, to the Committee you say of the notes, or letters, sent home, "read them, and then "judge for yourselves, if it is unchristian thus to quote "scripture and ask such questions as I have. I meant say "that any concessions on my part seem uncalled for, "but whenever I am convinced they are due, they shall "not be withheld". I rejoice in this last remark. I trust that you may have grace to see and act right. The letters were read in Com. but no action was had relative to them. They will be again read in Sub. Com., and come again before the whole Committee. We will not act hastily. You will suffer me to counsel you in regard to them.

I think you do not fully remember the feeling under which you wrote it. In your letter of Feb 19. You begin "My dear Missionary Associates". "How are you getting "on. My heart is oft with you, as those loved ones rise "up before my mental view". In the letter of Feb 25th. You commence. "Dr Lee & the M.M. Missionaries". "Surely the "Lord will plentifully reward the proud doers"; "for Judgments "are prepared for scorners and stripes for the backs of Fools." And there is no word of affection or endearment towards any one of them in it. Why, my dear Sister is there this marked difference in the two letters! Can it be possible that it does not truly indicate a striking difference of feeling in you

when you wrote them. I can not avoid thinking that there was, and I think that you will see it, and cheerfully acknowledge it, when your unbiased judgment shall be brought to bear on all the circumstances.

In your letter of Feb 25. you continue: "Can it be con-
"sidered one whit better than sacrilege thus impiously to
"reach forth an arm of flesh against a Mission House,
"raising it even to the foundations thereof? Do we not behold
"with detestation the ruthless mob who would ransack
"pillage, & destroy property? How much more nefarious must
"it seem in the sight of Him who looketh on the heart, when
"such as bear the name Missionaries set up at Public Auction,
"Mission and individual property earned and contributed by
"labor, with prayers, tears, and strong crying, to the Mission? Thus
"desecrating it from a sacred to a common use!"

Again, "Would not either of them for their own emolument
"deprive those worthier than themselves, of house and home,
"leaving them to the tender mercies of the wicked, which are cruel"?

And again, and the last I shall quote, "I had rather
"venture myself among natives, than with such as bear
"the Christian name, unless their religion would keep them
(from) "invading the rights of others. How any of you should
"have the cupidity to meddle with Br. Thompson's or my
"personal property, in our absence, is a question I am not
"prepared to solve".

My dear Sister, I think you could not have had a copy of this letter before you, nor rightly remembered the feelings ~~under~~ which you wrote or the questions you put to them; when you wrote to me that you "did not accuse your associates of the things alleged" but that you only

asked questions and quoted scripture, leaving them to apply the one and reply to the other. Consider. Why did you make the first quotation unless you meant to apply it to them? Why make the comparison ~~quote~~ copied on the top of the last page, if you did not mean that their act was no better than sacrilege, more nefarious than the ransacking, pillaging, and destroying done by "the ruthless mob"? Why did you write the next question unless you meant to intimate that missionaries who would take down a mission house & divert it to a common use, would "for their own emolument" deprive those worth ten times themselves, of home and home? and to whom could you apply this but to those to whom you wrote? And did you not apply it to them in the paragraph last quoted, and say that you had rather venture yourself among natives than with them? It seems to me that you did in hinting, or saying, that they had had the cupidity to meddle with private property, charge upon them all the things indicated in your several questions.

So look at these things impartially, reverse the circumstances, suppose the questions had been addressed to you, after you had aided in taking down & removing a mission house, and then interpret them. Can you wonder that they thought you terribly and unjustly severe. I have done amounting almost to agony that you will see your error in this and make amends.

But the "address" to you. I wish the brethren and sisters had not written it. I wish that instead of it, they had each one written to you in love, beseeching of you to remove the root of bitterness. I think you

would have withdrawn it, and apologized for writing it. I fear that this formal "address", signed deliberately by them all, must have pained you greatly, but you must make allowances for them acting as they did under the belief that you meant to accuse them of all these things; make allowances for them even as you would wish to have them make allowances for you when you wrote to them.

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Suppose there may have been wrong on both sides, who shall make the first advances towards reconciliation? He, or she, that has the most christian spirit, the most magnanimity, the most love, the most meekness, the strongest desire to promote the interests of the mission, without waiting to decide who was the first, or the most in the wrong; let him or her first go and be reconciled to his brother or sister.

Waiving the discussion of the question whether a company of missionaries have a right to name conditions on which one of their number shall be permitted to remain in the mission, for which I have not time, I want to say to you, that I do not see how it is possible for missionaries to labor together, where there is so much associated responsibility, except by each one cooperating in carrying out the plans discussed, approved and adopted by a clear majority of the mission, when such plans are "consistent with the glory of God and the good of the perishing heathen". When acting in associated capacities often have to yield their favorite plans to the will of the majority. There can be no progress in communities where this rule is not adopted. An inferior plan, cordially pursued by a united

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majority, will accomplish more than better plans individually pursued and clashing with each other. One of the first things to which I should wish to get the consent of my associates, if I were on a mission field, would be, that we should all heartily cooperate in measures, having the sanction of a clear majority, when not evidently inconsistent with the glory of God, and the good of the perishing heathen for whom we should labor."

A. M. ARCHIVES NO. H-7308 ROCHESTER UNIV.

I do not then see why you should not give your cheerful and hearty assent to the above named plan of associated action, so that the way may be prepared for your harmonious action with the other missionaries.

I do not think your brethren and sisters meant to point you out as the cause of all "those disagreeable and disgraceful bickerings which have so often wounded (their) hearts, and been a source of reproach from our (their) enemies", altho I can conceive of your misunderstanding them so. I know they have not believed so, altho they may think you have written many very severe things, as from your letter to me I judge they do. I think the "cause of bickerings" to which they refer, and which they wish to remove, is the writing, or saying, of hard and severe things, by whatever missionary they may be written or said. You would, I do not doubt greatly rejoice if you could contribute something towards their prevention.

You will weary of reading this long letter as I have of writing it, but I cannot conclude without a word in reference to missionaries listening to what those outside of their number say of their fellow missionaries. I fear that evil reports have been listened to on both sides of the present difficulties, and that you have received exaggerated accounts of their sayings and doings, and they have ~~been~~ listened to prejudiced statements concerning you. I don't know that it is so, but I fear it. What you have heard about Dr & Mrs Lee's not being professors of religion is of this class, as I in my last showed you. Has there not been something of the same, in what he is reported to have said about authority to break up Kan. Mendi, if he had to burn it. I do not understand you to say that you heard him say it, only that you heard he had said it. The best way is not to listen to unfavorable reports about others, but from reliable sources, and then not believe them, till you have made personal investigation, and in the case of a christian Bro. or sister, had personal conversation with them.

I hope to write you a briefer letter to send with this.

In the mean time, I beg of you to accept of the assurance of my personal interest in your welfare as well as that of the mission. May God guide you.

Very sincerely — Yours &c

Geo. Whipple Cor. Sec.

Mrs Hannah Roe
Mendi Mission

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Letter to
Miss More
1850

returned from
Africa.

read to her here.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. 7-1309
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Mission House
Sherbro Islands W.A. 26 May 1861

My dear Brother Whipple:-

Another vacancy is about to take place in our limited number. Miss Moore has resolved to go to America. She is now at the mission just to say good-by. She came here on Sabbath morning, and on Monday morning, I had the pleasure of a short but quite satisfactory conversation with her on the circumstances connected with her remaining in Freetown. At first we were both rather sharp and irritable, just enough to make us attractive, and desire the causes of irritability to be removed, so we set about it in good earnest and commencing with her objectionable letter in regard to which she said she did not even in her thoughts apply any portion of that letter to me, neither did she think she was addressing me at all, and further she said she had not a thought of accusing any one of the mission, of the crimes mentioned either in the quotations or other matter of the letter, that she had not even the thought in her heart that any one of our number was guilty of such crimes as referred to in the letter

I then told her, in presence of Mrs. Jeffs who was a witness of all we said on the subject of the letter or the charges it naturally exposed, that we had enough palaver. The "Editress" as far as I had anything to do with it, had accomplished its mission, and I was satisfied that her recall of those bitter charges was all I asked for. I now tender her a brother's hand & sympathy & invites her to freely

choose her field, and I would do all in my power to establish her in it. She would be happy to go up to town if all the company were willing, and they fear they would not be. She declines my offer.

Miss Moore visits Raw Mendi today, is to return on the morrow, and next day starts for town.

I would not be understood as saying that Miss Moore took back her letter. She did not, but said she had a right to make any quotation from the Bible she chose in writing to them, but she did take back the charges inferred by us & declared that she did not make even in the thoughts of her heart, any personal application of the passages &c of the letter referred to, thus making it to mean nothing at all. If she did not intend a charge then I am bound to believe that the letter was not a charge though couched in language most easily understood to be such. This assertion from her thrice more times repeated carries the letter off the board with me, so that I can take Sister Moore, of the band again, as a co-laborer highly esteemed.

As to the signing of the resolutions which were passed by the Meeting at Raw Mendi on the 5th of December last withdrawing Missionary services as residents at Raw Mendi she says she was opposed to it, but after a private interview with Wm. Thompson, when he told her that the removal could not take place under two or three years, and she then signed them without expressing an objection supposing it would remain a dead letter. She is sorry for this as she deceived her associates, and asked my forgiveness and said she was prepared to do the same of all.

afternoon of the 28th I am sorry that there has been so much talk and tattle about our difficulties here, but when they get into the Colony and report brings back the recovery it seems as if we were a few degrees out to sea beyond sorrow. I dare not think write or speak of these things, lest I will and it and I hope never be called upon for it or anything alike hereafter. One thing is pretty certain, that if had a few more returns to America will make quarrels with our associate out of the question.

But amid this clouded sky, what is the prospect? What of the night? Are inquiries so natural that I feel disposed to make a remark in reference to there being made if you know of no untoward circumstances which should darken our faith in the success of our mission. That God has an object to accomplish in causing it to be there is no doubt, that he will fail to have that object effected by it I cannot for a moment question, no more than I dare question his sovereignty. He is independent of none of our help. The success of this mission depends not on the imperfect efforts of few or many men but on Gods promises & eternal purposes. Though I sincerely regret the fact that our number is so small and were the circumstances which seem to make it necessary that so many should go home this season I do not doubt. I am not discouraged. Hope shines as clear, faith is as firm & steady as when our bark glides under full sail. Our mission will be successful it must and will prosper. And I see nothing must tell the storm to cause me a moment fear. To be disheartened is to be unworthy our calling which depends on faith!

While I do not feel at all disheartened I do feel a deep interest in passing occurrences and often wish as well as I can, their effect for, or against our cause. I grieve, weep, & pray over our follies, which seem to be without end. How can we avoid them? Here we may offer many suggestions but a little better living will be better in the end than much theorizing. But let me call attention to one or two points to be carefully weighed. Small establishments will save some strife. — require your Missionaries to keep a faithful journal of their labours for your sealing — require the voice of all in a charge against any one of our number. pro & con. I fear that your Mission will have to assume a sort of Sectarian cast to succeed in getting just the men & place. but this seems opposed to the spirit of Christ & rather narrow.

But, Dear Brother, don't be discouraged. I regret the necessity of your sorrow. May the Lord forgive our folly, and give grace to live to his glory in future. I hope you will be very careful, deliberate, & faithful in deciding between us, and administering correction. Do let me know as much of the investigation as you can conveniently communicate to me. I am yet ignorant of the most bitter portions.

Pray for us, and send us help as soon as the Lord will let you

I remain very unworthy your Missionary

J. Shaul Brooks.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

Rev. J. S. Brooks
Aug 26

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7B10
FISK UNIV.

Seven Mile, May 29/56

Rev Mr Whipple

Dear Brother,

We arrived here last Saturday, to the joy of many friends, We were quite sick at Willoughby especially Mrs F. As I expected, so soon as we were freed from care & the excitement passed away we should have an attack of sickness. Thanks the Lord both of us are comfortable at present though some weaker than when in N.Y.

My relatives discourage my return to Africa, and my own Dear Mother, & 1st Mother in Law (though in sympathy with the work in Africa) think it is my duty to attend to the raising & education of my two little sons.

My oldest 8½ yrs old, lives with my Mother, & the other who is 5 yrs old with Mother in Law

They desire to be released from the care, & responsibility of bringing up my children, & when I consider their age, & infirmities, I cannot in the least blame them.

This may prevent our return to Africa, even if health is restored, To my Heavenly Father I commit it all, believing He will open the way for us if it becomes duty to go.

Never had I a greater desire to labor in that field than at present and no where else did I feel so certain that I was where the Lord wanted me to be as when in Africa.

Missionary life (especially in Africa) has charms connected with it to be seen no where else by me. Under the circumstances I feel it was quite right for us to come home, but I feel also

that I should hold myself ready to go out again when the way is opened

The Annual meeting of our Board takes place next week in Mt Pleasant Pa. I am requested to be present, & shall health permitting. Dr Witt of Cin has already settled up his business in the City, and is at present in Indiana on a visit

He intends going early in the fall. I have only seen one of the members of the Board, but heard from several, & from reports there will be a difficulty to get a proper person to accompany the Dr. One of the Vice Presidents told my Brother who called here last evening to see me, that if I could not return with the Dr, it was a query with him what to do. He thinks no less than two male missionaries should be on the ground. The Lord raise up laborers for Africa

Rev. D. K. Flickinger 4
Green Mile, O
Dec 29/58

Com.

Have the kindness to excuse me to the other members of your Com for not writing them. For with present health it will be quite all I can do to attend to the indispensable, before the meeting of the board

Every body here wants to hear about Africa, & by letters, school children, & private messenges invitations are coming "Mr F do come & see us." Lectures, & communications are asked for, but all must must be omitted for the present

Little do my friends know of the effects of African climate on the nerves of a weakly person

Mrs F wishes to be remembered to you and all the Com, & I as a matter of course

Very truly yours
Brother in Christ

D. K. Flickinger

Write me often & feel free to advise & suggest. D. K. F.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FILE UP

Rev Geo H Whipple
48 Beekman st
N. Y.

Plymouth May 31st 1856.

Mr Lewis Tappan.
Brooklyn
New York-

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-2311
FISK UNIV.

Dear Father in Christ.

Last evening I welcomed your letter which contained a check for one hundred and one dollars- I shall now look for the remainder of the note I have been making arrangements this A. M. for moving into my new house. which is now finished and will make me a very comfortable & cozy little home. though I shall be very solitary, and lonely without my husband- I hope that he is on his way home- and that a kind and faithful Providence will soon restore him to us. I would not wish, however, to detain him from the Missionary feild; but with my present views & feelings I shall oppose our future separation- This state of constant anxiety & suspense is extremely unfavorable to systematic efficient labor, of any kind. I was strongly solicited to take the Young Ladies School in Plymouth this summer. but could not do so- because I was not at liberty to make any permanent engagement- My health is much better than I anticipated it would ever be, one year ago yet I am not strong. My kindest regards to Mrs Tappan.

Gratefully & truly- I remain- Martha C Thompson

✓ Martha C. Thompson
31 May 1856
ack'd $101.

cancel
June 6th
net check $81.65

Anna

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7312
FISHBEIN

Miss More.

Is her general [illegible] kind. Yes it generally is! Mrs. F.

Is she frequently harsh & irritating.

She does say harsh things S. F.

Does she interfere with the rights or duties of others. She forgets that others

Alone with her. { She has some reasons to be, very plain

If she has sinned against others, will she bear reproof. (Yes. She does!) (S.F.)

Is her temper uniform. (No. S. F.)

Is her control over the girls uniform and judicious. Is uniform. Severe

Has more control over them than other. Why with them she controls them, then leaves them entirely

Is she qualified to teach? Yes pretty well.

What are her duties? alternate

Could she remain harmoniously at K. M. with a native teacher? Decker calls her is mother.

Safest or were to leave a woman there

Could she assume the responsibility of that station? (Yes.)

Would the missionaries consent to her staying there? No. (from both of them.) ✠

Is she a comfortable coadjutor?

What are her excellencies as a Mis?

What the characteristics that most need to be remedied?

Jealousies &c.

✠ Burton says, as long as the house is there, white missionaries will be there.

Schools. What instructors? Native
rulers.
Can native help be well employed?
None good teacher.
What studies pursued?

What is the order & discipline? good, very
good, compared with other. Missionaries
want children educated at our schools. ✗

What the religious exercises, prayer
morning & evening, exhortation.
exhortation.
Are any records kept of school. Yes at K.M.
Penmanship, claps, recitations, studies &c.
What number of hours taught.
6. to 9. Am 10 – 2 P.M.
What general instruction given,
Catechisms. Special subjects talked
abo
Learn readily, as any here
Remember well
draw moral lessons, well.

Work. Do the scholars work systematically?
2 to 5. B!
Under what control? Native teacher

What work do they perform.
Boys. Garden. Beat rice. take care fowls.
Girls. 2 to 4 sew. 4 to 5 cook. walk.
Can their work be made advantageous to the Mission? Yes it is. Bake. Biscuit pies &c.
What care of children out of school?
under constant of native teachers.
Sleeping arrangements. Girls in Mrs house. Boys in their own house. ✗
Have they recreations. Yes.

What restrictions are laid on them.
not go out of the yard alone.

Small boys under care of large.

Sabbath Exercises?

Character of religious teaching. Good.

Order in Rel meetings. generally good.

Care in examining candidates for Ch.

By whom. G. T.

Mrs T. thinks Examin good.

By whom is the question of reception decided?

G. T.

Members of Church are asked, in clerk of suspension. dont know about reception.

Dis of candidates. Woman who came with country cloth. should require them to dress.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7318
FISK UNIV.

Mrs T. stated three or four cases of this

Religious teaching, & Instruction.
Order in religious Meetings.
Reception of Church members.
Discipline of Church.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI 9324
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Schools.

Instruction given in School
X What instructors.
X Branches taught
X Order & discipline.
X Any records kept
X Rel. Exer. in school.
X Number of hours taught.

Work. of scholars. ~~Care of~~
regularity.
Care of Boys.

Care of girls in work.
What work do they do

Care of children out of school.
Recreations. Liberty. Restriction. Control.
Families.
Their arrangements.

Presents.
By whom made.
How controlled.
" Accounted for.

A. M. A. Archives
NO.
FISK UNIV.

African Mission
Mem of
Interview with Mr
& Mrs Flickinger
May 1856.
S. I. J.
S. J.
Mrs S. J.
G. W.

Brigham.
Flickinger

Dayton O June 4th 1856

Bro Whipple-

Dear Sir- I have no written directions as to the arm chairs for Eziddio. If my memory serves me correctly, they were to be rose-wood, hair cloth spring bottom, two chairs, not to exceed $25,00 each in cost. The style of the binding of those papers is to be such as is suitable for a drawing room, rather fancy I presume. I have no written directions. I left a bill with you in which I think all the directions may be found.

It was my own opinion before I left Africa that those papers were not worth the cost of binding & trouble, but Mr E was determined to have it done. My opinion now is that you should have them bound in the best possible manner as to their arrangement. He is able to pay for it.

Bro Flickinger & wife passed through our city yesterday. Mrs F to Willoughby & Mr F to Mt Pleasant Pa at which place the Annual meeting of our Mission Board commences its session tomorrow at 2 o'clk P.M. Their health is improving.

My soul has been stirred upon learning the state of things at the Mendi Mip. My prayer is that the Lord may guide those who have it in their care.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES NO. FI-2815 FISK UNIV.

Very Sincerely Yours
Wm J. Shuey

Rev. W. J. Shuey
Dayton O.
June 14/70

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7316
FISK UNIV.

Confidential.

Fort Hope, Mission House
Sherbro Cleland 4 June 1862.

Rev. Saml. Wainright, Secretary
A. M. A. Cor. Sec.

My dear Brother

After much reflection and prayer I have decided to address you confidentially on the subject of our Mission. Differences of opinion between myself and the Secretary by your appointment to accept a letter of this character you will please commit it to the flames before reading. My object in asking the cover of confidence is that I may address my brother freely with regard to facts and circumstances which should not be written for general inspection, and which I would not write to any one but you, and would not do so then unless I felt that they accurately face in your judgment. I write them to you in hope, therefore, that I may be spared responsibility, to be able, amid my perplexities of the trials and burden of our Palaver, with Christian meekness and simplicity, to do the duty in your Committee room. I would cheerfully say what I have to write, but the writing of letters is looked upon by us, today, as a task so tedious that I cannot make up my mind to write without straining every nerve, lest I lose the matter of discussion through which many may have stabbed their unsuspecting friends.

I do not propose to write about myself, nor, then, with absolutely necessary, the natural disposition of the human heart to favour self, that hitherto apologist, I would temperately and fairly consider that I should a trial of conscience in maintaining my own character with those on the same canvass. I will therefore, kindly bear and remember that I have acted on the defensive, which you can gather from my former letter to my brethren.

I must, however, here say, that, though I have felt sympathy with one or the other party, at different times, I have not strongly identified myself with either, nor do I feel competent to do so, in the case of the boys going to America, and defending Dr. Lee & Mr. Burton from charges made against them for abuse of power & taking advantage of circumstances to effect the overthrow of Mormonism, and gratification of wicked prejudices and feelings against Mr. Thompson & his party. In both of these cases I am satisfied with the part I have taken, and the motives which lead me.

Allow me to say further, by way of introduction, that for Mr. Thompson I have a strong attachment, and high regard, and I have agreeable remembrance of my acquaintance with them, which does not always accompany thoughts of those I may call dear. Mr. Thompson has been done what there have not been dark times when all the heart is quaking with fear. Mr. Thompson has ever in his address been a good man, he has been constant in his friendship, unshaken in his confidence, as is now my self, support in the Book enterprise, his sympathy has been deep and unaffected, he sometimes uttered things we differ but these will not cloud my recollection of his worth. I have confidence in his piety, but not in his judgment.

For Miss, more I have a high regard, but cannot turn to with a firmer opinion, or treasure a kind word from her. She is confident, and a lover of the table talk, and an enthusiastic, yet she is not to be set aside, or lightly esteemed. She has close friends for as she accepts the mission and the commandment and loves. I blame her unfortunate circumstances and life for these deformities, and not the intention. Old Quakers are poor things the world over, yet the world owes them much.

Mrs. Moore has a noble & devoted heart but an unruly tongue which is liable to involve her in many unhappy differences with her associates. Owing to this disposition, Mr. Thompson, about a year ago, wrote a request, to be circulated for our signatures, for her dismissal. I never saw the paper but have been assured of its existence.

A. M. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

Now to the object of this letter.

The difficulties & differences now clouding our prosperity are not of recent occurence, the foundation lays in the unfounded misrepresentations, made by Mr. Thompson, which lead to the disappointment of which Mr. & Mrs. Burton have so often complained. Since the arrival of the company of 1853 these difficulties have steadily increased. we have all felt the causes but have not all treasured up errors of the head as we would errors of the heart. Mr. Thompson has given just cause of complaint & should not be allowed to represent our mission field. He is too hasty impetuous, self-willed, and so vetrou like in his own sight, to pass smoothly along. These we all see, but do not despise. The feeling which exists between Mr. & Mrs. Burton & Mr. Thompson is quite like hate. At any rate it is quite too strong to favour prosperity & good feeling. In some matters of wholly a personal, or private nature, matters of taste, of dress, Mr. Thompson has been cruel, uncharitable and aggravatingly meddlesome. In matters of mission interest, where the majority should rule, he will have his own way. In spite of our resolutions he will do as he pleases, without opposition he stubbornly do what seems right. Many things which may be named under this head, have been feeding the old grievance untill what was at first trifles have become mountains.

Mr. Burton is like a deep undercurrent in his opposition to one he dislikes. His conduct towards Mr. Lyff, Dr. Cole, & Mr. Thompson has been sometimes deep, hidden, and crafty. not that I believe christianity demanded it, but his dislike of palaver, leads him to oppose [illegible]

His prejudices are strong. In temper he is hasty, and often he is very unreasonable and gratifying them. I am sorry to say these things of one I love so well as Bro Burton.

As to Dr Lee I regret to say a single word, as he is my only mate associate and highly esteemed, but the truth compels me to say that he is the most hasty unreasonable & strongly prejudiced of all. I love him but am afraid of him. I fear I could not long be with him at the same station. There is difficulty between him & his wife which unfits him to be a missionary. I fear there will be palaver, at Good Hope, as strong as any we have had, after he comes back. He is so heady, inconsiderate, and stubborn that he cannot long labor with any one without trouble. The Doctor and I have not had a word yet. I hope we may never differ.

Must I speak of myself? If I must, I will say that there are many reasons why I have long felt myself unfit for a missionary. Indeed I have never made an exertion to be such, further than to walk into the open door of Providence's opening. I am not as open and candid with my associates as I should be. I do not write to them, or to my readers unbidden, or I allow things to pass which might be settled with a few words. I sympathize with all and still with none. Let us smile the pence, and [illegible] neither are they more the other, sometimes blamed by one, or other [illegible] of [illegible] regarded on the opposite side by one, or the other.

In view of all these circumstances, I would most earnestly recommend the entire change of your laborers in this field, call us all home and send out more worthy men. And let this be done in so short a time & such a way as not to have the other company catch the fever of palaver.

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I tremble in making so full a disclosure of my connection and accountment to through a movement, but I know not how to veil this mission of all these things, but to bring off all those traces of folly - by aim & inquire. If the prospect of meeting our Mission with them, who will be free from that disposition to wife and our company. There is, much, very much great merit in our Mission band, much that will be lost of remained and much that will be a suffering loss to our cause in case we are all recalled, but this much good cannot there exists as much evil. Much knowledge & influence, which can be gained no where else but here will be useless elsewhere, and lost to the mission - is a trying consideration.

Bro. Burlow & wife, are the very cream of our band in the management of a family & children & school. Br. Thompson with less of the book making spirit, would make one of the most able Evangelists in the whole Missionary field. His time is up and ready for anything from the kitchen to the sacred desk. If I dare I cannot speak so decisively, he is an excellent hand with the sick, kind and affectionate to the young & I think would be one of the best hands in a Missionary field. But the X is so flashy, impetuous & hard to bring to be safe. Yet there is much that is noble, lovely & highly commendable in him.

You may think it strange that I do not speak of Br. Mrs. Cook & Miss. McIntosh. Of the former I know but little. She has a willingness to do her part, without much confusion or noise about it. Mrs. Cook is indeed a very interesting, devoted, and noble woman. Miss McIntosh is all in her way, but intends to be right. I have seen but little of her but all I have seen leads me to conclude, that she is one to do well her part. Her piety is [illegible] the [illegible] is [illegible].

A.B.C.F.M. ARCHIVES NO. FI-1217 RICHMOND

A trying circumstance has just occurred here. When Miss Moore went to Pretoria, she took a young man away. He was going to this station to learn the Carpenters trade, without our knowledge or the knowledge of his family, which exposes the mission to serious palaver. The British Consul has officially interrogated me in regard to the matter and on learning the facts in the case set off in an open boat at night, for Pretoria, to inform the government and prevent their going to America. What will be the end of this matter I cannot divine.

So far as I can judge our Mission is in as prosperous condition as can be expected. At Kaw Mendi there is to be feared that there is evil in high places. Mrs. Decker labors under an accusation of an attempt to commit adultery. The palaver is defer till Dr. Lee's return.

I am unfit to write more from nervous derangement and want of time. On which ground you will do me the justice of excusing the broken & disconnected style of this communication.

With my prayers that you may have that wisdom from above which will direct you all right, action in reference to our Mission & affectionate regard for yourself I beg to remain, my dear Brother,

Sincerely & faithfully
Though very unworthy
your Missionary
Johnston Bowen

Rev. E. S. Robbins
Boston
Confidential

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-1318
FISK UNIV.

Freetown June 10th 1856

Rev. Geo. Whipple
Cor. Sec. A. M. A. New York

Dear Brother

Your letters came to hand on the 9th, two months after they were written. They were gladly received and read with attention. I could wish that I had no more disagreeable task than merely to answer them. You have however by this time a voluminous correspondence on the "4th" resolution, while we are realizing the practical benefits of a carrying out of it.

With an inward repugnance I am again compelled to soil my paper and weary my fingers with the disgraceful proceedings of George Thompson and Miss Moss. The following "Missionary Labor" would look well published in the "Missionary" or some other good antislavery paper.—

When Mr. Burton arrives he will inform you about the boys of whom I have written, supposing they would go to America with Mrs. Charles Jones made a written agreement to remain in the Mission three years, to learn the carpenter trade. When here in Freetown with us he manfully resisted all Mr. T's & Miss M's persuasions to break his agreement and go with them; he returned to the Mission and cheerfully went to work again, but Miss M. at the suggestion of Thompson, wrote a letter to him without our knowledge and urged him to go. She in a great hurry made up her mind to go to America, there being a company going, accordingly went down to Sherbro after her "private property", but said nothing to any of the Missionaries at Good Hope of her intentions, nor did I know them until after she had left Freetown

She went up to Kau-Mendi, and on her return to Good Hope, mani-fested great haste in packing and loading her goods and then told them of her intentions to go to America. She smuggled Charles Jones' chest into the canoe, and told the Captain to claim it as his, if search were made for it, she then sent Charles down to a shed on the river bank out of sight of the mission, there to wait until she came along, when she took him in and brought him to ~~the mission~~ town. Mr. Brooks did not know anything about the affair until the time of the sailing of the canoe, when he ordered the chest to be taken off, but Miss M. prevented the Captain from doing so. These statements I have from Charles the Captain, & the Rev. Mr. Hanson English Consul, on Sherbro.

I accordingly gave the necessary notice, to prevent the Captain from taking him, and notified the Colonial Secretary to withhold his passport. Also had mutual friends to persuade Thompson not to take him. I however applied for a passport but has not yet secured it. The affair does not end here. He had Thomas Tucker registered in the Colony, by filling a declaration that he intended to have him educated here. The Governor seeing the certificate of registration without knowing the circumstances connected therewith gave him a passport. The Consul and Secretary have kindly given me advice on the subject also advised with the Governor, and perhaps the passport may be withdrawn. I shall not press this part of the affair, as Thomas Tucker is now a spoiled boy, and could not come back to the mission again.

So far as Thompson's & Miss Moore's proceedings have gone, I could let it all go as only another one of their old Kau-Mendi performances, but the consequences to the mission — It's character could not be much lower than it is in Freetown nor will their characters suffer in

the mission nor among thinking people, they are gone already.

But should the boys be removed, which I fear will be done tho they are smuggled into the vessel, then, their Friends and Families will look to the mission for pay or redress. Charles is the son of Kissicummia, the king whose favor we have been trying to gain, in order to secure Wella. He is also the leading man among all the Mahomedans. When he learns this I fear the consequences, they will steal some of our children, or take vengance in some other manner. The Yankers, too are just ready to show their ire, upon the least provocation. We will certainly suffer for these proceedings some day and will not be able to procure Wella, all this because of contrariness. ——— I should never have believed Miss More capable of doing this and other things I could speak of, but Thompson, you will find out is a bad man, to say the least, and if he would act thus to get these boys to America - Dear - what will he do with them there?

You will see by the ~~transaction~~ letters already written, that we were compelled to tear down Hau-mendi when we did. I need not say another word about the transaction, Could we have had any vindictive object in view in so doing? No - Thompsons & Miss More's glory went with that station, and that is the difficulty! How foolish they were to aid in so doing!

Some items in your letter deserve consideration, not because of their applicability to future operations but as agreeing with those past, also the principle contained in them. 1st "The caution necessary in any action, when a respectable minority are opposed", is right, but in this case, we were unanimously resolved and cordially agreed. 2nd "Gradual reduction of the school & town", also right, and was done as far as practicable, and is still carried on with a view to totally abandoning the place.

Hau Mendi

unanimous

which a majority of those who are here, deem proper in a religious, physical, and pecuniary point of view.

Bro. Whipple, have none of the many missionaries who have died there, told you the whole truth; how that station was conducted? If not let the fruit of 10 years teaching in that school, tell the result; we have two scholars left, William Tucker & Eliza Jane Ramond, who are of any service to the mission and who stand fair as to moral character, and they constantly tell the same story about the corruption that existed and was encouraged at that station. 3rd "Change from unhealthy to healthy localities" cause our systems to react against any morbid matter we may have accumulated and we are apt to be sick & have fever, for the vis-vitæ is aware of its opportunity to rid itself of the burden (This is the theory in a nut shell), I have fully verified it; when I left Kau Mendi and came to Good Hope, I was taken sick in a few days, but on coming to Freetown I recovered and Mrs. Lee, who was healthy at Good Hope "took the fever", as they call it. 4th "Thanks for the Book you sent me tho' I never received it. However I have had enough of "African Fever" personally, I do not think an other or different edition would be useful." 5th "I am fully convinced of the unhealthy location of that station, and would consider it gradual suicide to live there.

I find my sheet nearly full & I have not spoken of the principle of gradually removing evils in a mission. I am not a convert to your opinions as yet. We are compelled in our short African life to act promptly, for tomorrow we die; But if you think it right, to march a company of missionaries into the face of an evil and they fall thereby; while you exhaust your energies in seeking recruits for the noble self sacrificing army, at the same time "gradually removing" the cause of all this trouble, I do not think it either good policy nor christain charity.

Corruption encouraged!

Suicide to remain there

Opposed to gradual removal

(Next leaf) 5th page

W. 2. O. FISK

Accounts come to meeting!

To copy before home

(Miss Moore)

we live among a set of people, where we are the ruling spirits while we allow a manifest evil to remain among us, we hear such sayings as these, "why – so and so they do at the mission", "so they have there", "School boy and girl do this same way", "now we get no rice. Thompson used to give us rice to come to meeting". The latter fact is told me by 5 as reliable witnesses as could be found – regularly on Saturday rice was distributed, to secure good congregations on Sabbath; the falling off, when he left indicated something, which was explained by the above fact. —— If you have doubts of my views of his interest in the mission, try him by discountenancing the publication of the book written while here; Claim that cargo of curiosities, which were purchased by mission money and have cost so much – and he will show you his temper by slily and stealthily injuring the Association all he can, and our characters will be but foot balls. There is a trick is his paying his own passage & finding himself (as he says) (watch that point) I offered to procure the money and pay the Capt by getting bills of exchange cashed, but he refused. It is a mystery –

June 11th Miss More has just called to see us before she leaves. I am perfectly astonished to find her so far gone in moral depravity as she is. She set here and developed a lot of prevarication, slander and downright falsehood, concerning our characters, that would more befit the low, debased outcast that any one I know of in the mission this she affirmed was to be substantiated by evidence. That she & Mr. Thompson six months ago, called the "vilest blackguards and slanderous busibodies in Freetown, all to go to the rooms against Mrs. Lee and myself. She also asserted that her influence was greater at the Rooms than all the rest put together, and that we would be recalled!! I gave her a plain talk, expressing my grief that she should thus lower herself to become a common slanderer, as she once called her present associates & landlady.

As to her influence predominating, with the committee, if such is the fact we want to know it. If these verbose and filthy reports are even to be countenanced by a Committee of men of judgment and piety as we believe our Ex.com. to be, then we must fall, for we are not proof against calumny and falsehood – But the Committee will naturally ask have these things been shown to the mission, that you assert about Dr Lee & wife? where is the report of the mission on these charges? Alas for such poor subterfuges, to overthrow a broad principle of right as our motives were in acting as we did, and which were endorsed by the parties now disaffected. I shall not condescend to a combat with their vile abettors, holding the position they do here in Freetown. Ask Mrs. Burton about them. If the committee think we are not what they thought us to be, and are not upright, at once recall us, for the mission has been disgraced long enough, remove all such characters as we are represented to be provided you have reliable evidence of the same. But it is useless to write in this way and it would perhaps been as well to let them tele their own tale. I have but to beseech you, in the name of all the sacred interest felt for this mission, both here and at home, send one of the committee out to examine into its affairs.

June 12th My health is good, I am not so strong as before my illness, but am rapidly improving. Mrs Lee has not recovered from her sickness having had a slight relapse, but is much better today I hope we will soon be able to return to the mission, we are not satisfied to remain away so long but cannot help it, not being strong enough to bear the voyage. The laborers are few, but we think it would be best not to send any more missionaries out here until these difficulties are settled I never would not have come, if I had known the true character of Kau-mendi and those there, but I am now well satisfied with Africa and my missionary life. Trusting soon to hear from you I remain

Your Servant in Christ
David S. Lee

influence of this review

D. S. Lee June 12/50

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES NO. FI-2819 FISK UNIV.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. II-B2d
FISK UN'V.

Clinton June 10. 1856

Mr Geo. Whipple.

Rev & Dear Sir

I notice in the last number of the Missionary, that Mrs Tefft still remains in Africa. I recieved a letter from her last Dec. containing information of the death of her husband & babe, and in which she writes, "My own health is pretty good, though I am not very strong. A little steady work will nearly tire me out in a little while, therefore I think I could be more useful somewhere else. If I ~~to~~ live & the Lord seems to direct that way, I think I shall return to America in the spring. Mr Tefft expected to have returned in the spring if he had lived & his health had not improved."

My opinion is, decidedly, that Mrs Tefft ought not to remain any longer in Africa. I am led to this conclusion from seeing her two or three times while in this country, & from a knowledge of the influence of malaria upon the system. I should not be surprised to hear of her death at any time. I do hope the Ex. Com. will soon decide to request her to return, or at least to go to some other situation ~~away~~ free from the influences of malaria. From a knowledge of her disposition & temperament I think she would remain there & endeavor to labor as long as you think best for her to do so, But I trust you will not allow her to remain until she is stricken down, as many others have been in the midst of usefulness & almost on the threshold of missionary life; or until the miasmatic influences shall have wasted her

H. M. Paine, M.D.
Clinton, N.Y.
Jan 10/54

Ex. Com.

constitution, & debilitated the system so that perhaps years will be required to restore health, And it seems to me, ~~that~~ in her case, that time is close at hand. I am not opposed to the Association or the Mendi Mission, but do feel that missionaries cannot live there, except for a short time, far too short to afford any reasonable return for all their time & labor & money expended in preparation. The above quotation from Mrs Leffi's letter is simply an expression of her own views, and were not made in answer to any inquiries on my part. I have always endeavored to avoid saying anything ~~anything~~ to discourage missionaries who thought it their duty to go to that station. When the Lord is about to take possession of a land, country or people, the suitable laborers are raised up to engage in the work. And no doubt the willingness on the part of so many to engage in Christianizing Africa has led you to persevere thus far. But when so many are cut down, almost before they reach the noon time of life, is it not well to devise some other way by which the same amount of good will result without so great a sacrifice. There are, doubtless, other localities where they are needed quite as much as in that part of Africa, and where their valuable lives would not be terminated in so brief a period.

With much respect

Yours truly

H. M. Paine

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7321
FISK UNIV.

Freetown June 12/56

Lewis Tappan, 48 Beekman St New York

Dear Sir, I have this day given to D J Brown, a Bill of Exchange (No 1) for ($100.00) one hundred dollars, for passage of myself & Miss More from this place to New York. —

My Missionary Brethren, 5 months ago, gave me permission to return home to my family, & under all the circumstances, it is deemed best for Miss More also to go. Her health is very poor, & she needs a change for a while —

also give D J Brown, a Bill of Exchange No 2 for twenty five dollars ($25.00) for passage of one of my boys ($15.00) — & for freight on my things ($10.00)

Should there be any objection, on the part of the Committee to paying this $25.00 — please pay, & charge to me, & I will make all right. —

N B — If it is possible, please pay Capt Brown, there seems, with as little delay as possible, as he has been very kind to us —

Your Bro Geo Thompson

v Geo. Thompson
12 June 1856
advice of drafts
~~$100~~ & $25

L Tappan

4 & Beekman St N York

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. A-1322
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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-1323
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope, Mission Station
Sherbro Island. 12 June 1856

My dear Sister Rose,

We all feel deeply grieved by the singular treatment we received from you while parting. You must have known that Charles Jones was apprenticed to this Station, and that I was responsable to his family and the country for his good behaviour and his personal liberty. the only evidence received for the latter is in an answer to a writ of habeas corpus - the body before the Court. If called upon to do this which may be at any time I must do it or suffer the consequences, which are limited by the party making the demand. Your conduct in taking Charles clandestinely is by order here by English law as kidnaping, and from the mysterious conduct of Mr. Hanson and the Master I fear something of consequence will be done. He informed me that in case Charles had been taken as he has been informed he should process to S. L. to inform the government, and then without his letting any one know aught else of it sets off to town at once.

You did very wrong in this. And shows that you still has no confidence in us and cares but little for the peace or prosperity of our Mission. When you barter the confidence and peace of your associates for the gratification of your will in doing wrong What can we think? Sister Rose don't be angry with me, but allow me to say that you wrong yourself and your cause before the Com. more than any one else. I am grieved to see this. I do not want you to make your case by Mr Thompson's to seem worse than it really is. though I write earnest words, believe me I am still friendly your brother. Brother

I send you this, because I think you did not tell Mr. S. the truth. I have given the exact words & the English of the Corporation.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-1324
FISK UNIV.

Freetown June 13/56

Geo Whipple,

Dear Brother, Miss More, & myself expect to sail on the 14th of this month, D.V. — tho we may be a few days later, but this is the day set by the Capt.

I expect also to bring 2 of my boys — to be educated — If the Committee have any objections to meeting the expense, which will arise, from bringing them home, I want them to feel perfectly free to have no responsibility respecting them — I will take the whole, & look after their education, & the expense, so that there need be no palaver.

I have had palaver enough here, which you will know of if I reach you safely —

Please forward my note to my father, by first mail — as it has been overlooked one month, & I want answer from home by then I reach N.Y.

Yours

Geo. Thompson
Rec'd June 12/56
Ans July 28/56

George Whipple,
~~Lewis Lapham~~

48 Beekman Street
New York

✓ Dr Lee

Freetown June 13th 1856

and 21 July 1856

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7325
FISK UNIV.

Mr Jappan Esqr.

Treas. A. M. A.

Dear Brother—

I am so weary this evening that I shall only write you a short business letter. I have been trying today to buy some provissions for the market. There are two American vessels here one from Philadelphia direct. the other New York via Gambia, both with provissions but very high prices. Flour $26 bbl, Pork $16; Beef, high, every thing is scarce here & enormously dear. We are sorry that we have these prices to pay but if we do not have these things shipped to us we must have them at any cost. The rainy season is here, not a bushel of rice to be had for less than $2.50, none at any price at Sherbro, we have to send it from here. I could write have to spend $100 for provissions here, whereas if they had been shipped to us would have cost about $40. Of course I blame no one; but I do not know, having just taken charge of this

department, why these things are so. I am aware that ships sometimes leave your port without advertising as in the case of this last vessel, but would it it not be well for you to advertise in the Shippers column, that you have freight for Sierra Leone. If I am any judge the expense of this mission could be reduced one half by a judicious agent being sent to England, to make arrangements there with a good house to get our dry goods and draw our bills of exchange on them. You know about these things better than I, but I know we have to pay 50 per cent profit beside 25 per cent as cost of importing all the good we buy here.

I have not yet drawn the bills of Exchange for the £30 for bricks, but shall do so before long; at thirty days sight.

You will see that Thompson has drawn bills of Exchange for his passage & Miss Moore's This was contrary to my wishes as I could have had bills cashed here at a premium, and

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given the Captain the money. But there is a trick in it, I suppose that he will have the fare of the boys in his bills of Exchange or if he does not draw them, will present you a bill for passage of $150 which will include $50 for them. for he has purchased thier provissions here & Mr. Ezzidio has paid for them. If Charles Jones comes he will be smuggled out of the port. I do not know about Thomas Tucker's passport, perhaps the Governer has withdrawn it, if so he too will be smuggled out if he comes. The vessel sails tomorow.

I know of nothing that is needed at the mission at present but, provissions. Flour Cornmeal. Biscuit, Beef, Pork, Cod Fish Mackrel Butter. Lard in Bladders. Cheese. dried Apples the latter not to be had at present I suppose.

I have just learned that the boys are going to America. Thomas with, & Charles without a passport. We have only two courses to pursue one to go to law at a great expense and have Charles taken into custody, or at once to pay

Mr. Green Cook page 11

Kissicummna and the Tuckers for the boys, I suppose we had better adopt the latter, and here the matter ends with me, you have now the case before you; the natives say that Thompson stole the boys, and it might as well be so, for the consequences are the same. If you can not send one of your committe out next Sep. or October, please give the missionaries definite instructions on such points. But if the actors in this drama are to be upheld in it, please give us instructions what shall be done with the Mission property as we must withdraw from such associations.

We would respectfully request the Com. to tell any missionaries who may come out not to go to Capt. Summers to Board, as they will surely get into trouble. I will make arrangements for a boarding place for them. Mrs. Lee is better today and is in a fair way to recover. I am well but much. we will go back to Sherbro as soon as we can get away. Send us by first opportunity the provisions spoken of.

Yours unworth Bro. in Christ
David S. Lee

Freetown June 18th 1856

Revd George Thompson

Sir

You will please cause to be shipped to me from America the undermentioned Articles viz six doz Phoenix Bitters ~~Twenty doz Fine Palm leaf Straw hats~~ 2 large Oil cloth Table covers for low Table and ~~two~~ one American Clock to strike the amount of which will be paid according to your direction also one Eight day clock to strike

Yours respectfully
Hannah Will

also please cause the prices of Flour, Biscuits & Blue Drill to be sent to me

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-1396
FISK UNIV.

Mrs H. Mill
June 13/50

Mr Thompson
order

Mr Thompson says if these things are sent Mr Eaidie should be requested to receive the pay on the delivery of the goods. RM.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. 71-1322
FISK UNIV.

Hartford
June 14th/56.

Sir,

Brother Thompson leaves the land of his adoption to return to America. I for one deeply regret that his family circumstances should be such as to require it. His removal from Africa must be deeply regretted by every acquainted with his character, love &

with me in this trial, & especially with my
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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

zeal in the blessed cause of Africa's redemption. Among all the laborers you have sent, none have surpassed, & but few equalled Bro. T.

He has most truly labored & not fainted, even under the most trying circumstances, that have made sacrifices of no ordinary kind for the benefit of this people. We however deeply regret, that he now leaves us with a heavy heart, under the calumnies of Dr. Leigh

I rejoice to be able to testify that he has borne these trials with his characteristic meekness & christian forbearance. Dr. L. has thought it right to publish his view of matters at Kaw Mendi every where in this Town and has thus much injured the cause of christ generally.

I have now known your zealous Thompson for 8 yrs & perhaps have seen as much of him as any man here - but can truly say that I never found him

Rev. J. Beale

June 14/50

the same earnest minded, follower of the lamb, so much so that I have esteemed it a privilege to have him under my roof.

One thing only I regret in Mr J. Carver (ie) that he did not learn the Sherbro or Mendi language the first year of his arrival in Africa, & thus fit himself to communicate, directly, with the native mind. Praying that God would raise up & send many such men as Thompson to Africa & deeply sympathizing

Captn & Mrs Sumner
Thetford
June 14/56

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. PI-7328
FISK UNIV.

Fretown 14th June 1854.

Hon Missionary Association

Respected Sirs

As so many scandalous reports are in circulation we feel called on to state some facts that have passed under our roofs. and before our eyes.

Mr Thompson and Miss Worley were here last August and spent some weeks for recruiting health and exhibited to all around pure and christian deportment so that some who scarce believed in any religion granted they possessed it.

Since Dr & Mrs Lee came they have been traduced and stories of ill fame and illicit intercourse have been circulated far and wide till the name of Missionary's are stigmatized and yesterday when I asked a favor of Mr Kiddy for Mr Thompson he said you know the Missionaries they are getting up disturbances all over town now Mr Thompson has been two months with us. and bear testimony of his uncommonly peaceful and Mild deportment We would not put up with such treatment as he has received from Dr & Mrs Lee and hold our peace and we do not think that many in Freetown would He has in our presence been called a liar an adulterer and worse than a

murderer and beneath a baboon and yet he opened
not his mouth in self defence though we were
so incensed at seeing an innocent man thus abused
in our house that we spoke our minds freely and
said we would not suffer such abuse in our
House this caused Dr & Mrs Lee & Mr & Mrs Burton
to seek lodgings elsewhere and after trying at
various places and being refused they went into the
House of Mr Hickings purchased for the United
Brethren to acclimate in and are ~~now~~ now
telling plenty of lies on Mr Thompson and Miss Moore
they call them almost every thing but they report Miss
Moore a common prostitute and point at her as a
liar & mischief making woman When how they probably
his entering their room and before us pointed at her the
finger of scorn all this she bore in meekness and
for the most part of the time kept to her room while they
were stopping here. We felt hurt for her for she has been
with us now four months and we have not seen
ought against her christian deportment

We tell you these things hoping
you will put a stop to this at once by recalling Dr & Mrs
Lee forever keeping out of your mission fields of such
abominable characters & such villians in human shape
such a disgrace to every thing good or Honourable
In vindication of their conduct they Have told us
repeatedly and before evidence that they were not
professors of any Religion though they Held to the
forms. If you wish for more particulars ask Capt.

Brown & when they arrive to America If that does not satisfy you that Dr & Mrs Lee should be recalled come here and the Gretonian people will see you

Mr Benjamin Lee Esq
The well wisher
of the Bible Messengers
Capt J W Sumner & Mrs Sammy

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M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-1328A
FISK UNIV.

Home Willoughby June 18th

Whipple

Dear Sir

I begin to feel (thro' the mercy of my Father in heaven) that I am something more of a living, moving being, than when I last saw you in Do. G.

Mr. Hickinger does not improve as rapidly as I had hoped. He seems little better than when we landed. He is now in, or near Dayton, where he will spend the Summer & if he gets able, to act as agent for their Board, from whose annual meeting he returned last week.

It is a subject of great and increased interest to see that their Church have resolved to prosecute the work in Africa with renewed energy. I have visited among the good, plain, substantial, supporters of the Do. B. Church in some of whose families 'tis like a "protracted meeting" to see the expression. There is so much

N. S. Please [illegible] Bro. Thompson to be [illegible]

simple living faith, and true piety I feel that this is the kind of living at home, to insure greater success with charities abroad. Am I superstitious? Some how I always felt that Berlin donations did us more good, (I know the children at Bar Mendi were more careful of anything from there)
There is a providence sometimes, if not always, attending individuals benevolence who give with an eye single to the glory of God, aside from their own personal blessing. There is not a waking hour I spend but my thoughts turn to Africa & in reviewing the past since first gave up, & determined to go I feel to say it was good, I have never doubted that it was duty, I have never regretted going & never did I wish myself away while I had hopes of getting strength to labor there. Some of the happiest hours of my life were spent while engaged in teaching at Bar Mendi & did not become as much interested in the other places, I was not so long

at them, is the reason I suppose.
This much I do know, I was happily
disappointed in the average amount
of native talent every where.
There are many families too, whose
physiognomies bear a more marked
resemblance to the European than
I had anticipated, & from what
I have seen of the blessed effects
of good religious influence in the
moral & religious training & government
of native Africans (children in part-
icular) I have not a doubt but that
faithful Shepherds there may
have as obedient, well trained flocks
as here, True it may not be in
this generation, or, the next, that
suspicions & erasures upon church
books, shall cease, but allow ing
it takes as long to elevate Africa's
sons from their stupidity as it has
to degrade & darken the minds of
her successive generations I believe
it can be done with far less sacrifice
of life and money
I have been led since at home

Mrs. Susan Hickinger, Jan. 18/58

to think often of how much less means are used to ~~carry on~~ extend the Redeemer's kingdom than the Enemy of souls demands & calls into his service

There have been several families in this my native town whose heads have forsaken all of social life & have been absent from their families 3 & 4 years even, in California & elsewhere for gain; but never have I heard them accused of any lack of love for "the dear ones at home" on the other hand I have often heard their efforts lauded as being commendable, Should not heirs, joint heirs with Christ speak and feel as charitably of each other as these friends of Mammon? I am I will look to these things

Mr Hickinger has rec'd a letter from Bro. Thompson which let a broad strip of sunshine in upon us,

I have been pumped closely about Kansas Among other questions one is oft-times repeated Is there any one to fill Mr. T's place

Much love to yourself & fam. as ever

Susan Hickinger

Copy.

Sixty three Packages Merchandise shipped by Lewis Tappan Treasurer of the American Missionary Association per schooner George H Townsend master & consigned to John Brodie Fulton,

Mark	Number	Description of Goods	Value in New York	
LT	1.2.3.4.5.6.	Six half Barrels Flour	$ 27	00
"	7.8.	Two Boxes }		
"	9.	One Bale } Dry Goods	298	65
"	10.11.12.	Three Boxes Glass	5	65
"	13.	One Box Stove & Pipe	12	91
"	14.	One Box containing Two Stoves	15	50
"	15,16.	Two Barrels Sugar	48	75
"	17.18.	Two Barrels Butter	48	25
"	58.59.60.19.	Four Boxes Hardware	35	76
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"	30.31.32.33.34.	Twenty five boxes Soap	113	17
"	35.36.37.38.39.			
"	40.41.42.43.44.			
"	45.46.	Two barrels Hams	55	58
"	47.48.	Two half barrels Beef	21	00
"	49.50.	Two half barrels Pork	23	00
"	51.	One Barrel Dry goods & Hardware	57	26
"	52.	One Box, containing 3 Beds	30	00
"	53.	One Box clothing, Iron bolts, Medicine, Shoes, Watch, Pencil &c	65	00
"	54.	One Box clothing & Crackers	11	06
"	55.	One Box Candles	6	00
"	56.	One Box Clothing	30	00
"	57.	One Box Books &c	15	00
"	16.17 (repeated)	Two boxes containing Pumps		
"	18.	One Bundle containing Tubing for ditto	21	50
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Lewis Tappan
Treasurer AMA

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Packages of Merchandise
Shipped by L Tappen
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June 21 1856

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19 one Box
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10 Half bamboo

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s whereof, the Master or Purser of the said vessel hath affirmed to three Bills

this tenor and date; one of which being accomplished, the others to stand void.

EW-YORK, the twenty first day of June 1839

J. Pelsey.

Contents unknown & not accountable for Leakage.

J. Pelsey.

Bill of Lading
Sch Geo H Townsend
for Freetown Sierra Leone
West Africa
June 21/56

A. M. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-7330A
FISK UNIV.

Brot forward

Articles wanted	Of whom bought
2 bbls Sugar Cur'd Hams (canvassed)	Bot of Wm Sudlam, 124 Beekman all these articles, to be ready by 2 o'clock. Cash in 30 days.
2 " Butter in Kegs then on a boat with pickle around them.	Did not tell him how they were to be marked. Send word also about shipping
2 " Sugar	mark Sugar Cur Ham F. T. 45 & 46
2 half bbls good Beef	" 17 & 18
2 " " Pork.	" Butter ——— " 15 & 16
(all but Butter ready by 2 o'clk & Butter by 10 on Saturday)	" Sugar ——— " 47 & 48
They will ship the whole lot of Hams & Butter	" Beef ——— " 49 & 50
	" Pork ——— "
2 Pumps with zinc tubing, for cistern 12 feet deep from top of lid to bottom of cistern (See printed papers)	Bot of Meagher No 197 Water St. But zinc is poor they tell. Will substitute wood. To be ready by 2 o'clock. To be in 2 boxes of 1 barrel & marked F. T. 16 & 17 & 18. Send for them
2 bottles Tincture of Arnica (Home)	Has 1 Gold St. Lasalle, Marsh & Hunn two 8 oz bottles & other articles to be sent here
10 lbs Bicarbonate Soda in 5 lb packages	
1 lb cream of Tartar	
3 bottles scent oil	
1 Pen Holder & gold pen (desk)	✓ William will buy it.
2 boxes Glass (16 dim) 9 X 12 (2 dim) 8 5/8 X 16.	Bot of Richards No 73 Beekman To be ready by noon. ~~Order the 3 boxes~~ Order the 3 boxes 10 & 11 Send for them Tell them how to mark them
3 Spiral Spring double Beds $8 & $12 in	Bot of Lee, Wantrous No 199, Fulton 3 beds at $10 in to be marked F. T. 52 & sent on board Schooner Geo H. Tanner Pier 47 East River & receipt to office
~~3 dim bag~~ Called at 47 Beekman Beekman c. Gold up stairs	To be loaded Carted Bed of [illegible]

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Goods wanted for Africa.
per sch. Geo. H. Townsend to sail 21 June 86

Articles	Of whom purchased
3 [illegible] sized Franklin Stoves 14 to 18 in wide at the back. Castings plain. 2 with flues on top & one with flue behind. One with an elbow of pipe standing out one foot from Stove.	Bot one of Chas J. Shepard 242 Water St. flue at the back. To be marked I. T. No 13. Pipe & bent long selling in drawing. Elbow & [illegible] back, one foot long. Five dogs. To be packed in one box. To be ready at 2 o'clock. ~~Sent [illegible]~~ Send cart for them
Pipe & bent up & an elbow into chimney. Each stove with five dogs	Bot like of T. Southard 231 Water St. Five dogs for both. $13 beside box & dogs. To be packed in one box marked I. T. No 14. To be ready at 2 o'clock. Sent cart for them
Pale Soap (they can sell one a box long wind)	Bot of Wm. Colgate Co. Dilled Street. 25 boxes 72 lbs each at 6½ cts 4 m. credit. To be marked I. T. 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44. To be ready at 2 o'clk. Inform them earlier how they are to be shipped & get them to ship them. Notified them to ship should remain here
3 doz glass knobs, medium size. 3 " do small	Bot of E. Corning Co, 81 John St. The castors to be iron.
3 long stem castors for bedsteads. 2 doz good axes, large eyes. 6 " " " below	To be packed in one box marked I. T. No 19. Sent cart for it between 2 & 3. notified them
4 in. Bolts for iron house	Called on James Bogardus, Duane C. Center who promised to call to day (20th) between 9 & 10.
6. (assorted) "Scratch"	Bot 6 hat boxes of Hoffto Co, 230 Front St. at $9 per full barrel. To be marked I. T. No 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. To be ready at 2 o'clk. Sent [illegible]
100 lbs Graham Crackers	Bot of James Johnston 116 Beekman St. To be sent to 48 Beekman before 2 o'clock

Shipped on board Schr Geo. H. Townsend 5 July 1886

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FA-7331
FISK UNIV.

Dear Mr Lee,

My wife brought some stock-
ings & some thimbles. They are packed in a box
in a parcel not directed to you I believe. The
thimbles may have been ordered by Mrs Lee,
for the school. Will you see that the box the
if they were not ordered by you?

I wrote to you the Dr some
weeks since, but I believe the letter were delay
for want of opportunity to send them. My wife
joins with me well. The weather is now extremely
warm.

Every letter from our dear friends
in Africa is received with deep interest. Their
labors & sufferings will be greatly blessed
both in promoting the health of the children & the
benefit of Africans when they have gone to their
home to the cross of Christ.

Affectionately yours
L. Tappan

New York, 21 Mar
1858

Our love to all the
Mr Lee & family.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-1332
FISK UNIV.

V 23d June 6

John Ezzidis, Esq.
Freetown, West Africa,

Dear Sir,

Enclosed is Bill of Lading of 63 (Sixty three) packages goods shipped on board the Schooner "George H. Townsend", Capt. and an Abstract of the Invoice, showing the contents & value of the packages. I have insured the goods here.

The freight, you will observe is to be paid in Freetown. I will thank you to pay it and charge the amount to the American Missionary Association, drawing upon me for the same. Please to see that the measurement is correct.

I remain, respectfully & truly yours
Lewis Tappan,
Treasurer.

A.M.E.A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-1334
FISK UNIV.

[illegible] 18th June 6

[illegible] Dennis W. Hunter, [illegible] Office

Dear Brother,

By the steamer "George B. Stevens" I have shipped on the Corsicana, 63 packages goods – Flour, dry goods, Glass, Stoves, Sugar, Butter, Hardware, Lard, Hams, Bacon, Pork, Boots, Clothing, Iron bolts, Lanterns, Axes, Mattock, Pencils, Crackers, Candles, Wooden Ware. The whole cost [illegible] $940.79. I have [illegible] and carefully, and found everything.

I write thus, so you may inform some, who the amount of the goods, if they come to your [illegible] office, if they should be unpacked or not, or they should be here, and for the dry goods, or may be useful to you or Sunday goods [illegible]

Sugar is very high here, it [illegible] cents per pound only 2 barrels. The [illegible] seem to be [illegible] the hand-work [illegible] from I suppose you can [illegible] it. [illegible] looking for [illegible] in our [illegible] because it is so [illegible] I suppose reflect the [illegible] when it is [illegible]

It is a pity that we [illegible] [illegible] entirely independent long since of the [illegible] [illegible] and the [illegible] with instructions to have [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the large profit you have been [illegible] [illegible] you made out a catalogue of a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Southern [illegible], so that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] it will be useful and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-1335
FISK UNIV.

Rooms of the American Missionary Association.

48 Beekman-Street.

New-York June 23. 1856

Miss Hannah More
Mendi Mission.

My dear Sister

We have been again and again disappointed in our hope of sending you letters written a month ago. "In two weeks," has been the reply, when inquiry about a vessel's sailing. At last we were hurried to get our things aboard of a vessel that, it was first said would sail a week later than this. They are now on the vessel, and we are concluding our letters.

I hope the members of the Mission will not object to your remaining at K. M. if you still continue to wish it, tho I should hope that you will not prep the matter

if you find that it is likely to promote division & discord. The Executive Committee can not perhaps fully understand the reasons for against your doing so, but as at present advised, there seems to be more reasons for your doing so (i.e. remaining) than there are against it.

Some of the reasons which may incline the mission not to favor it, are, I conceive,

1 The idea that no White missionary can safely remain there,

2 The need of concentrating their strength on the other stations.

The reasons for your remaining you will not that I should repeat. You know them.

I believe you are disposed to make personal sacrifices for the welfare of the mission, and I hope you will prep this matter for personal preferences, if you

see that it will be likely to cause division; altho the Ex. Com. are disposed to favor your remaining at K. M. at least till we can have time for a comparison of views.

You will receive a small bundle from Mrs T. marked with your name.

Yours in Christian love

G W. Whipple

Lex, Me.

Let me again beg of you to make personal sacrifices to secure the harmony of the mission.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

H.B.M. Consulate in Sherboro
Victoria 30th June 1856.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-B36
YALE UNIV.

Dear Sir

Reference having been made to me touching a matter in which I have been compelled to be interested, and it having been intimated that, as an impartial observer of events, my testimony may subserve the cause of truth, I am induced to obtrude this communication under your notice. I must, however, deprecate your supposing for one moment that I arrogate to myself any right of control over your Missionaries, or that I desire to interfere in matters which do not concern me — at the same time, it is right for me to state that I have all along deemed it politic and expedient so to act as to prevent the people from drawing any invidious distinctions between English and American, in order that I might be enabled to afford equal protection to Americans

Lewis Tappan Esq.
&c &c &c

Alex. Hanson
30 Aug 1856

rec
10 Sept

ans 7 Nov
L.T.

G. Thompson
sailed from
Freetown
14 June

Ask Mr M
what I shall
write to Mr
Hanson

Invalidates this note from Mr Buchanan's consul to Egan.

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G. T. but the boys
have a bro. over
us. I opt the
counsel of the
musician. Since he came here he
has avowed his willingness to
advise them to go back & offers
an amnesty to our
than [illegible]

105
92
13

[illegible] bitter he can
ought go back

Americans and Her Majesty's subjects.

The statement which I feel called upon to make to you is, briefly, that, some five weeks since, I was informed that two native Sherbooro, a boy and a lad, had been "clandestinely taken away from this "Country" by the Revd. Geo. Thompson and Mr. Moore, of the Mendi Mission. Of course, my first step was to verify this statement; and I consequently immediately wrote a note to the Revd. J. L. Brooks, telling him what I had heard, and requesting information touching the correctness or otherwise of the report which had come to me. On learning from Mr. Brooks, that I had probably been correctly advised, I felt it to be my duty to put myself in immediate correspondence with the authorities of the Colony of Sierra Leone to warn them of the facts I had heard, and to request the Governor to call upon Mr. Thompson to state whether he had obtained the consent of the parents of the boy and lad to take them out of the Country. I cannot hesitate, Dear Sir, to state to you that I am apprehensive that very serious difficulties will arise out of this circumstance for your Mission; and I assure you that it was this consideration which induced me to interfere, even to the very limitted extent it was in my power to do, with the matter. What is best for you now to do, your Missionaries here will be better able to advise you than I can be. They will also, no doubt, state the grounds upon which the difficulties are likely to arise — especially as affecting the little boy — I feel that I have done my part in distinctly forewarning you of what is likely to result from a no doubt well intended, but imprudent act, and I can but assure you that if, when any difficulty occurs, I can be in any way of any service to the "Mendi Mission", I shall endeavour to approve myself, Your most obedt. & faithful servt.

A. W. Hanson

A. W. Hanson.

Salem Mass. Jan 30th 1856

Dear Brother Whipple.

I arrived here last night 44 days from Sierra Leone. My health is very much improved by the voage. Mrs Burton is very well. We have brought home Dr Tuo little boy. he is feble, but some better than when we left Africa. They wish to have a home found for him in America. and I shall expect the Committee to attend to that. We will be in New York as soon as possible; but expect to call on Dr Brooks parents at South Groton first.

I have returned to America on account of my health, which was so poor as to render me unfit to be of further service in the Mission, at present.

Ever truly Yours. D. W. Burton.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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D. W. Burton
Salem. Mo.
June 30/80

Ex. Com

Memorandum of Brooks letter June 30. 1857

The difficulties have their origin in the past.

Reasons for taking down the house.

Boyes 3 & 4
1. Supposed that instruction had been given.
2. The house needed a new roof & make it tenable in the rains 32 X 58 and new pillars to support it & the walls too weak to sustain the roof. Had it been his own he would have reduced it to its present condition to commence repairs.
"I do believe that Dr. Lee did what he thought best"

Shut 2 p 1
2
3 4
Thompson's Journal — old goods, & money the causes of the outbreak. Removal of Boys. Steps that should have been taken. & the course actually taken

Shut 3 p 1
2.
3
4
Great scandal to the Mission & danger of fire. Requests that J. Tucker shall be sent back, as early as possible. There is nothing to prevent the prosperity of K. but want of suitable men. Heard from G. T. & Ship Mary. The matter not cleared up by their letters.

3 Shut. p 1
2.
3
3 & 4
3
3
4
So surprised to learn that Lee had not instruction to take down the house. Reflections
Effect on Lee's health; on Boom Falls station.
Yet no retrograde ~~[illegible]~~ tion. Statistics of Good Hope 24 scholars. Out school 17.
Kau-Mende school under good discipline
Boom Falls under three teachers.
No Kadje under the care of McArthy.
County. peace — Help needed.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES NO. FI-2338 FISK UNIV.

J. N. Brooks
Mus.

ELK RIVER A. M. A. No. 14

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. 71-1331
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Station, Mendi Mission
Sherbro Island, West Africa, 30 June 1876.

Rev. Geo. Whipple
Cor. Sec. A. M. A. New York.

My dear Brother.-

Another half year has past and with its close, you are entitled to a review of our labors as a Mission. I would gladly yield the duty & privilege of preparing such a review to another, but I am alone, therefore I must take it upon myself to do so. You have, from time to time, during the progress of the year, been made acquainted with the most important events, which have occurred here, by private or official correspondence from the several Missionaries in the field. Besides these advantages, to learn the state of affairs here, you have been favored with opportunities of conversation with several returned Missionaries. From these sources, you are pretty well qualified to draw your conclusions, in regard to our Mission, quite correctly, without any aid from those in the field. Under these circumstances I do not expect to do more, than meet an obligation imposed by my relations to you & our Mission.

The subjects connected with our Mission, which stand out most conspicuous, are our difficulties, and their effects. These are constantly before my mind, weighing down my soul, with a useless burden, and humbling me in the dust, with shame and confusion that forbids my looking the world in the face. I grieve, I weep over our follies, our sins, our selfishness, clogs in the way of progress, our selfishness & strange feuds between us and a Merciful God. The sea of life, forbidding our approach. If things continue so death must be written on our

dear Mission. The outward circumstances of our mission are nothing, no not even the shadows, of what our spiritual condition must be, based away from a Mercy Seat, without the smiles of the Prince of Peace. The wheels of our Zion, so effectually clogged, that we cannot expect to see progress till our gifts shall be left at the altar, and we become reconciled to our brethren. There is wrong on both sides. I can look back on the past & see many places in the past I have acted, which I would have bettered. had I been better informed, doubtless I might have done better had I been more deliberate. Yet I cannot say that I should now, under the same circumstances do otherwise than I have done. To cut the matter short. I am not agoing to excuse or modify the part I have acted in the circumstances which seems to have probed the old wounds, & sores, long fostered by, I fear, too much bitterness & ill. I have acted openly, candidly, with the good of the Mission always in view - and am prepare to submit my conduct to criticism. Not that I suppose I have been perfect, no far from it. I want to know my wrong my folly - error that I may make reparation to the injured, correct so far as I can my errors, & gain wisdom for the future. If there is any one desire of my heart, stronger than another, my desire to be right, & do right in spending and being spent for this mission is superlative.

The last six months has been marked by an out break of internal fire, not a creation of new difficulties, merely. Since the early part of 1863 there has been accumulating a complicated mass of difficulties, with now and then an out break, which are never settled, but mingled with

with the mass, and allowed to ferment in it. It seems as if it was necessary that some test question should be mooted, that would lay off the mask of pretense, and make the heart stand out to view, in the true light of opposition, as they really were, instead humbled by self reproaches, or repelled so far from each other, that their scent of union and love, should no longer weigh down our hearts and prayers, & stay God's blessing from the church among us. I must beg the indulgence, my dear Brother, from giving a connected statement, of the difficulties which have so bitterly scourged us, for the last three months.

I will state the reason which had most weight with my own mind, in giving my vote for the taking down the New Meeting. 1st I ought to say, in justice to myself, that I was under the impression, indeed was often told, by one I was bound to most fully credit, that the Ex. Com. had committed the work of taking down & removing R. M. to one of our number. With the understanding, I regarded the condition of the house at New Meeting, as really demanding the very step we took to save expense. It was slender built & standing on an unsafe foundation, and had a roof on it, that could not be repaired, so as to make it tenantable during the rains. It must have a roof, entirely new, 32 x 58 and new pillars, to build your roof on, you have a mere shell, without a single timber in the house, and an outside wall three feet lower than the inner rooms, which would prevent all binding of the wall together so as not to give way under the weight of the roof. The outside wall was a frame of scantlin, three & four inches, and boarded with pine siding, with the inside pillars with brestsummer this shows that the walls were too weak to sustain the

[illegible]ter. Had the property been my own, and I wished to put on a roof, I would have stripped it to its present condition and built a new body to the house. That is the second story. The house is just in the best condition now to begin the work of repairs. With this view of the matter I voted for taking down the house at once, and storing it for use again. That this has been done in the best way possible, under a better set of circumstances, I do not pretend to say. I scarcely believe it might have been done better by different hands, yet I do believe that Mr. Lee did what he thought to be best.

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The circumstances, connected with the taking down the House, were many of them, very trying to Mr. Lee & others. An idea was set on foot some way by some one, that the S. was working against Mr. Thompson and was breaking up the Mission, to spite Mr. Thompson. I know that this was powerfully strengthened, of the course Mr. Thompson & Miss. Rice saw fit to take, whether intentionally, or not, I cannot say. Had I been working a few weeks earlier, I should be prepared to declare it my opinion, that they did it unintentionally but some recent developments, have greatly affected my confidence in both Mr. Thompson & Miss. Rice, of which I will speak more particularly hereafter. Besides these peculiarly trying circumstances there was the bursting of the long covered feeling, between parties here. I say covered, not because it was not known that bad feeling did exist, but because this fact was never owned, no effort was made by the parties, to seek mutual satisfaction, and prevent the bitterness of heart & feeling, from ripening, & spreading

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ever, with a lot of forces friends ship, while too often and much has been said, to a third person. I would by no means, accuse any one of busy bodying, or tattling but there has been a sad neglect of faithful, brotherly [redacted], bearing, under circumstances of disagreement. This long stored, & neglected matter, bursting at the time of demolishing the Kaw Mendi House, has rendered it almost intolerable to live among us. I do think, that had there been no other causes for difficulties, than the removal of Kaw Mendi, that there would have been no very great unpleasantness. The taking down Kaw Mendi house is not the great heart of the quarrel, no, it lays deeper, and beyond this. Mr. Thompson has a large parcel of fruit for a few of this time, and has seemed to take most unexpected advantages, of unguarded social conversation, to give handfulls of seeds, which are, of the use made of them, tipped with poison and dipped in poison gall. I have seen this disposition quite prominent at times, but have excused it, untill lately. I have felt much difficulty in being, as usual, charitable. These have stored in the Memory, though they have not the aid of journal records, to preserve bitterness, doubtless some has been too well kept. In these stores of old goods, spoiled by keeping and little use, is to be found the chief cause of quarrel. The new has been but the match, which has fired the heap. Taking down Kaw Mendi House, has caused some grief, but it has not separated very friends.

You need not have further evidence, in the case of one, that the above view, is a correct one than this, more letter to her missionary associates, the circumstances

connected with which, I doubtless, are well acquainted.

Intimately connected with this sad review, is the palaver about Mr. Thompson's taking some boys to America. In favour of this scheme Mr. Thompson, Miss. Muse, Dr. & Mrs. Lee have so far as I know, been of one mind, until the last day or two, of Mr. T's stay in the Harbour. Whence, for some reasons which I have never learned, the parties cables - Mr. Burton & Wife and I think Mrs. Jeffs have not favoured the scheme, and some opposed it. My position has been opposed to the Mission sending boys to America, but was willing that Mr. T. should take them, on his own responsibility, if he chose to do so. From the circumstance of Dr. Lee & Mr. Burton opposing, and the end, the boys going at all, and, I fear management their opposition in such a way, as to excite Mr. Thompson's suspicions & he has felt that they were unworthy of confidence, and he has seemed to exert himself to the utmost, to pay them off in their own coin.

I regret the necessity of going over the grounds of this quarrel, because there are circumstances connected with the part Mr. Thompson acted, that rob me of the comfort of regarding him an honest good man - To place the matter in its true light, I must state the steps which should have been taken, in removing the boys from the country. Then the course Mr. Thompson & others pursued in the taking, trying to prevent their going, and the consequences to which we are exposed, & now suffering, on account of the manner of the boys being smuggled away, as they were - To remove one from this country, the family of the party to be removed must be

informed, & their consent obtained before evidence, or witnesses of the gift and receipt of a present, must be fully obtained and parting salutations exchanged by all the parties interested. As there is a British Consulate here, for the purpose of protecting the country from the slave trade, &c. and as there are very astringent laws in force, in regard to removing colored people from this country, to the north, or west, Mr. Thompson should have taken the boys, to the Consulate & requested that they be registered as free people, bound to America to complete their education. Then, at Sierra Leone, he should have registered them as aliens, travelling, and on shipping or sailing, he should give bonds of £ 600 for the safe return of the boys to this country, or satisfactory evidence of their death, at some future time mentioned. Now instead of taking these steps, I know not that one has been taken. The younger, I sent to town by Mr. Burton's request, but no intimation that he was to go to America. Charles was taken from here under circumstances, which call in question, both Mr Thompson & Miss Mills Christian integrity. Charles was evidently deceived by Miss Mills, and the deceit put upon him he acted. He is at work as usual and the morning, has his things packed & put on the canoe under false colors. And when the canoe starts he goes by land, to a landing before, where the canoe by Mr Mills command, takes him aboard. Saw his trunk on the canoe and asked what was there, in presence of Miss M. when one said he was going to town. I inquired who he was going for. I ordered the trunk to be taken ashore, when another boatman chuckled and said that the captain had his clothes in the trunk, giving me to understand that the trunk was loaned to the capt. Miss Mills heard all but said nothing. But ordered the runaway to be taken aboard

This Mere must have felt herself acting an ingenuous part, or she would never have covered her movements so falsely and deceit. She wrote to Mr Thompson & Miss Mere, making inquiries about the taking of Thomas, and though they both had several opportunities to write me, neither proffered a word of explanation. In a few days the report of Charles being taken away, came to the consuls ears, & he wrote me officially, on the subject, stating that if the report he had heard, be true, he should feel it his duty to go at once, to the Colony, and lay the whole matter before the Governor. On the receipt of my letter he set off at once, through at Bight, & went to Freetown, visiting Mr Thompson there, he had some conversation with him, and calling the Governors attention to it, the Governor conversed with Mr Thompson on the same subject, when he assured the Gov. that he would not take the boys, without meeting the requirements of the law. The Governor & other officers of the Crown, who were interested, fully confided in Mr J. S. Christian character, and therefore, had no further anxiety about it. Mr. J. found he could get no one to be his boatsman, and the officers also knew this, so they supposed the question was settled, that Jones would not get them to their suppriage and pirtification, they were out done by a Gambia Missionary, & the boy was smuggled out in defiance of law, as a sparrow would his stock of slaves. The act is branded as an act of smuggling a human being, the consequences of which you well know. We, the members of the Rio di Missionaries must bear the reproach.

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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I am really sorry that this degree of deception & secrecy of Christian principle, has been stopped to by Mr. Thompson & Miss. More. I have formerly charity to excuse all I have seen in either, till this. now, the thought of craft, sullenness, wilfulness, and meanness, being associated with much I have seen, which has surprized me, yet I have excused, is most unwelcome. I cannot do less, than fear, that others have better understood them, who did not excuse their conduct, than my self- tho' I must feel so, untill Mr Thompson & Miss More have done what they ought to have done, before sailing for America, write me the particulars, and show the part they really did act, and that it was in agreement with religion.

I dont know all, nor a great part, may I know but very little of what occurs in town, in connection with this or other matters of dispute, so you will not expect me to draw just conclusions. I only give you the view I am compelled to take, from what I see and know - Be assured others will longer feel, as I do deeply wrongs, and unnecessary places in a false position, before this people. This last act of Mr Thompson & Miss More, as far as I can judge, has done more to weigh down our Mission, under a load of scandal, shame & reproach, than all the other palavers I am acquainted with. Besides we are exposed to a prosecution, from the families of these boys, at any time, which I presume will cost us dearly. It requires we "must produce those boys, when desired by their families, or satisfy them that they are dead, which will require from £20. to £50. paid as a fine, what is more, a prosecution is now threatened by Prince Charles for the Lucker boy - I therefore request you to send back

both Charles & Thomas

less early as possible. I feel that no delay should be made in this matter, and if Mr Thompson will not ~~[illegible]~~ to their returning, by first vessel for Sierra Leone, then the Christian publick should be made acquainted; with the circumstances of their leaving this place, that they may not be imposed upon by the boys or Mr. Thompson.

That the boys are in America, and a stay, of one, or two years, will be of advantage to them personally, should not be for a moment entertained. The question is, shall we not incur the contempt, of an outraged publick opinion, founded in justice, and laws intended to protect the poor & defenceless, against the heavy burdens. The chief & people of the country say, well you do not allow us to take our slaves away ~~[illegible]~~ while a White man is allowed to run away with our Children. Had a chief of this country, been in Mr. Thompsons place, he would not have been permitted to take away persons as Mr. Thompson did. The British Consul has kindly agreed to give you a statement of his view of this affair, and the effort we should make to disarm our foes, and secure the good will of those, who are friendly to missionary efforts.

As to the real prospects of Kaw Mendi, I cannot now definately speak, as I have not visited there for some time, and have not corresponded freely, with the native help employed there. Dr. Lee having the immediate charge, all letters of special interest, from the native agents, are addressed to him. There is nothing to prevent its prosperity, even more abundantly than at any past period, but the want of proper men. I fear we have not got the men we want there - but as I am not personally acquainted, I should not judge

As yours of April 11th 1856 have just been recieved I may remark, that I am fully expecting & am prepared to recieve a rebuke from our Ex. Com. for taking down the Mission buildings. I can promise you that I, for one, shall recieve it with feelings of regret, that I did not better understand the views of the Committee, and that I did not weigh with as much good sense, as some others might, the consequences of such a step. I cannot say that I am sorry that the house has been taken down but I am sorry that I was given to understand that we were authorized to take down & remove Kaw Mundi House & School by our Committee. I hope that the circumstances which have led to this impression which has been general, will move you to adopt the rule of never sending missionaries to a mission field without instructions. Such neglect or an oversight places us in an awkward situation, as you cannot help but see.

Your communication anticipates some of the evils we have been consequent on a sudden removal. You mention one consideration I have never, & probably shall never give much thought to. That is the amount of funds we are to bring into the treasury or bar out. I hope my chief reasons for every act of my life will be founded in right, and so far as right will serve expediency, and a full treasury, I will most cheerfully lend a hand to both, without much weight thought on the portion of our cause. But, my dear Brother, I thank you for noticing the point as you did. The friends of our cause are worthy of some consideration even when weight is also for the chief seat in our councils. Though it is late to profit by your remark in reference to Kaw Mundi. I hope to be able to profit by them in future.

Our own canoe has just arrived fetching some letters, one to Mrs Tefft from Miss Max saying that she did not know that Charles Jones Smith was on board, the canoe at the time she left the wharf. And one from Mr Thomson to me saying that he did not write to Charles to come to him, but knowing that he wanted to go to America, and Burton & Lee had been so mean, he told Charles to get his clothes ready, and watch his opportunity to come to him, if he wished. Which he did. And under the circumstances he declared it his opinion, that Charles was justified in doing so, and has fully his approval. By the same canoe I learn that the boys were shipped as hands, which if true shows the America consul unworthy of confidence & trust. Even here a sailor is not shipped without a certificate from the British consul. And in the colony the Am. con. cannot ship or permit Americans to ship sailors without first seeing a passport. This really darkens the matter, at least it gives no light, so that I can freely excuse the parts acted by both Mr Thompson & Miss Max.

They have not been honest. And the complaints in regard to the deceptions alleged against Messrs Burton & Lee are so, for proof & an excuse that they are so many words of self condemnation, for in that they judge others they judge themselves also.

I also learn that Dr. Lee was not approved to raise funds by the committee and instructed to cause its removal, as early as prudent. I am surprised at this, for I had labored under the idea that he was urged to do what he could because its removal.

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My decision was made with more freedom and less thought, than would have been the case, had I not supposed the committee strongly desiring this event. My own conviction was that Kaw Mendi should be reduced to at least 24 or 30 scholars, to be divided in two departments; and so situated, that during the rains, native help should have the care of them, in the dries, a missionary could spend a greater part of his time there. The plan now adopted so far met this view, and your supposed wishes, to have the house taken down and your Missionaries removed from there, that I at once freely and unhesitatingly gave my vote for the measure. You may blame me for believing such a thing of you, on which so much depended, without written instructions. I believe it your duty to give your Missionaries written instructions, but Dr. Lee comes to us without such instructions, and says such & such things have been expressed to him as the wish of the committee & under the circumstances I am bound to most fully credit his word, even in a matter as weighty as this. His appointment from you is a voucher for his moral & religious conduct. If there is blame here, we must share it, you taking a part in allowing him to come here without written instructions, & for believing him an honest man & Christian on the ground of his having an appointment from you to this Mission. I so dislike to take this view of the matter, to feel that our dear brother has deceived us, that I am inclined to feel it utterly till we hear from you more definitely on this head.

Intimately connected with this matter is the subject of returning Missionaries. No one can regret the return of Missionaries than myself. I feel my self so perfectly identified

with your mission, that what ever affects it, deeply interests me, allow me to further say, by your permission, I rise & fall with it. though this feeling may be put off, the next week or change of the moon, for the desire to return to America, yet dear Brother, I never desired any thing more earnestly than I have, and do still, to devote all I am or may be in this life, to this Mission. with these feelings I cannot be unmindful of passing events, so intimately connected with, and affecting the interests & prosperity of our cause.

But one of the number returning to America this year on account of our difficulties that is influences to do so. ~~but~~ this, Mr, and this is one too many. I would that it were not so.

The story of difficulties and their influences & effects is not all told yet. Dr. & Mrs. Lee have suffered much in health from the dreadful effects of these trials. We have long regarded some difficulties necessary in acclimation, this is, to my mind, the product of a disturbed, but morbid conscience. It is not true. Acclimation is just the place for religion good & true, that which will not out live, in all its sweetness, purity, & goodness, the sharp points, buffetings & unpleasantness of Acclimation, and rearrons chastely which follows its first & heaviest strokes, is not the religion for the tropics. It may purge to the stability & firmness of religion in the exterior, and the worth but shell into torrents of ill feeling under a tried sun.

A secondary effect of these evil workings of an ill temper is my neglect of the Boson. The Dr & his wife being so long drag'd down by the excitement of the difficulties growing out of the removal of the Mission & taking the boys to America has compelled me to spend more months here than I intended to stay days when I came down the Boson near three months ago.

Under these circumstances it would seem quite reasonable to expect a retrograde motion in our Missionary operations but so far from this we have gone forward. At this Station four or five Children within the last six months. so that the family now numbers 24. 12 of whom are girls & 12 boys. an interesting and very promising group of pretty yet beautiful children. A school has been opened in the factory numbering 17 pupils. Mrs. Tefft first collected this school, it is now in the care of an excelent native teacher, Mr. Jarrett. The plan of building I reported last year has steadily progressed untill it is now nearly finished.

Kaw Mendi School I learn is under good discipline.

Bonu Falls Station is in the care of three men I can trust. the elder is a carpenter, Mr. Bennett, who has been at the mission more than 20 years and proves faithful. Other two are boys I have had with me a long. W. B. Tucker, & J. C. Barnett. excelent & faithful young men. The former of whom I wrote you before. has repented, confessed and I have reason to believe forsaken his sin, and is in every way more reliable and faithful than before; which is saying much for him as he was an excelent lad from his first connection with the mission to the time of his departure from virtue.

Mo Kadja joining Mo Towari, is under the care of a young man Samuel McCarthy one of our pupils who I hope will be useful, he has opened the bush or jungle where the mission house in contemplation is to stand made a small farm & garden & has now instruction to open a small school. By my detention here I am not able to open that field as I had wished.

I cannot speak of the church at Kaw Mendi as I have not been there so as to learn and all the reports of the Station have been made to Dr. Lee. Mo Tuffin Church is small but interesting we hope soon to form a church here, as there are some praying persons in the neighborhood

I had intended to review the politics of the country, as there have been some very interesting movements rather providential in favor of peace - but time will not allow, as I have spent so much time & space on the palavers of the Mission.

I regard our Mission, on the whole, in a good condition to prosper if we learn to exercise piety at home. God cannot prosper his own work in the hands of men of bitter spirits. He may overrule, even the wrath of men, and cause that good may come out of evil, but to prosper these he cannot.

We want pious - loving - governable & self governed men to fill our open fields. Mr Tappan wants a Missionary family. His station would be better with more help than it has. Mokalla must be opened & supplied with Missionary [illegible]. We want help & such help as will abide in peace and concord. Church loving, government loving help. Let me repeat that man who will not be governed in the cool thinking north, who cannot associate with the Church in America without quarrelling can never live any considerable time here without quarrels.

Mrs. Tappan is just now not very well, has had some fever for some days and is very bilious. Though she is able to keep up most of the time she looks bad - the rest of our home company are remarkably well.

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We are longing to hear from you. We want the Missionary Herald. We have not seen one since last Nov. number. Can you not send one copy by Mail when you have no opportunity direct.

With gratitude and praise to the Giver of all good, for that grace by which I am permitted to labor for the heathen. I have the pleasure, my dear Brother, of subscribing myself

Your Missionary

J. Leighton Wilson

Rev. J. S. Wilson June 30th 1850

Mendi Mission

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Dr. to Boat on the Factory Acct. Hedden
in charge of N. Nathan

1855								
August 2nd	To 1 Box Codfish		"	lb	8			
	" 4 dozen Spear pointed knives for sale for cutting rice		1	4	"	2	0	8
Sept. 5	" 2 lb. Tobacco	1/	"	2	"			
	" 20 pieces Cotton Hdkfs	4/2	4	3	4			
	" 16 " Grey Cotton	5/9	2	17	6			
	" 40 Bus. Salt £6 0 0 £ prod very cheap		5	"	"			
	" 1 Large M. Cloth	12/6	"	12	6	12	15	4
Oct 4	" 1 Keg Powder 1/20	1/	"	1	"			
	" 3 lb Tobacco	1/3	"	3	9			
	" 6 pipes	1/3	"	"	3			
5	" 1 dozen Patch. Shirt cheaper from Bonnie	27/6	1	7	6			
13	" 1 " Wash. Hand. Basin	8/-	"	8	"			
26	" 14½ lb Tobacco	1/2	"	18	"			

	26	" 14¼ lbs Tobacco	1/3	"	18	"		
	27	" 1 Cask Rich dear on account of the Crimean war	4/-	2	"	"	5	3	6
Nov.	1	" 3 Sacks Bars 20 lbs chest	2	"	3	4		
	6	" 1 " " 25 " "	5	"	4	2		
	8	" 6 Oars country oars	2/6	"	15	"		
	14	" 5 Bus: Salt	2/6	"	12	6		
		" 1½ yds Superfine Broadcloth for medicine	18/-	1	2	6		
	16	" 10 Fathams Cotton Rope 5 lbs	1/3	"	6	8		
		" 35 lbs Tobacco	1/3	2	3	9		
		" 2 lbs Sugar white crushed	5/-	"	1	6		
		" 6 Bisquit	1/2	"	"	3		
		" 1 Rce Cork 5 lbs	1/-	"	5	"		
	17	" Passage Money for Mr & Mrs Johns to Cadiz at Kaiserwerth & Mr & Pauline		"	16	8		
	21	" 1¼ yd. Superfine Broadcloth for medicine	14/-	"	18	9		
	27	" 1 Bot. Absenthe French Liquor 3/- 50 lbs. Tobacco 62/6		3	5	6		
		" 1 Rce Cotton Hkfs 5/- 2 Red Caps 2/-		"	7	"		
		" 1 Patch. Shirt	2/6	"	2	6		
	30	" 95 Bus: Oyster Shells for lime (borrowed & after wards returned)		1	3	9	12	8	5
		" Amount carried Over				£	32	7	11

Missouri Canoe 5 guards had worn out

1855	In Account Brot. Over					£32	7	11
Decr. 6	" 6 lbs Gails	unmft mals - 6	5/6	"	5	"		
7	" 4 Canoe Tumbers	Tumbers, corded, cotton	6	"	4	6		
10	" 14 Bus: Salt		2/6	1	15	"		
	" 1 Pr. Silk Hose		8/	"	8	"		
	" Sundries			"	2	6		
	" 2. Ann pot - 21 lbs		08	"	5	3		
	" 2 lbs Tobacco		1/3	"	2	6		
	" 3 yds Grey Cotton		3	"	"	9		
	" 1 Covered Bowl		3/	"	3	"		
	" 2 Dozen fifes		6/	"	1	"		
11	" 2 Pr. Satin Shoes		8/	"	16	"		
	" 2 " Cotton Hdkfs		5/6	"	11	"		
	" 35 lbs Tobacco		1/3	5	5	"		
	" Sundries		2/6	"	2	6		
	" 1 Stone Jug 2 Gallons		1/6	"	3	"		
	" 6 Balls Thread		2			3		

	" 1 Bale Shirting	½	"	3			
13	" 6 dozen W.H. Basin & ill-cheaper than in N.Y.	8/-	2	8	"		
	" 10 Ots 10 pg Nails		"	8	4		
	" 5 " 8pg do		"	4	2		
22	" Passage Money for Mrs. Ritt - trading with, on a visit.		"	8	4		
31	" 1 Bale 100 pcs. Red Satin Stripes	5/-	25	"	"		
	" 1 " 100 " Blue do do	4/-	30	"	"		
	" 1 " 100 pcs. Indian. Blue. Bafs	9/6	28	10	"		
	" 1 dozen Gatch. Shirts - French & cheaper than here taken by Mr Tillo from N.Y.	26/7½	7	19	9	105	3	10
1855	Cintia Co.			£		137	11	9
	By Balance		8	8	5			
Augt. 21	" 1 pair Nosir Brogans		"	7	1			
Sept. 7	" 1 Grind Stone		"	18	3			
12	" 1 paper fish Hooks		"	1	3			
14	" 1 pairs Woollen. Socks		"	12	"			
15	" 1 paper fish Hooks			2	6			
29	" A.W. Hanson a/c. accepted. Hanson - on delivery to merchant or journeyman Nolton - omitted 16th Augt 1855		11	1	6			
	" Oil Cloth. Carpet 120/- Less Order on a/c 4/2 - later only by Mr Tillo, not wanted & sold to Walker		1	4	2	27	15	7
	To Balance. Carried Forward.			£		109	16	2

1855	A Balance Brought forward.			£	109	16	2
Oct. 18	By 1 Axe (inches) Shelve	"	8	4			
	" 3 Large Padlock	"	1	"			
20	" 1 Grind Stone & Shafts	1	1	1			
24	" 1 Cotton Umbrella	"	1	3			
Nov 2	" 1 Axe Shelve	"	8	4			
6	" 2 Gallons Ground Nut Oil	"	8	4			
9	" 1 Axe Shelve	"	8	4			
13	" 1 " to Mr. Hanson	"	1	"			
24	" 3 Shovels	9	"	15	"		
Dec. 1	" 1 Dozen Leghorn Hat (subpoenaed)	2	1	8			
	" 1/2 " Straw do	"	16	8			
	" 1 Gia. Pell	"	16	8			
	" 1 Tin Pan	"	"	6			
	" Cask on Loan (afterwards returned)	2	5	"			
" 8	" 1 Dozen Tea spoons	"	5	"			

" 8	" 1 Agen Corn Spoons	"	5	-			
	" 1/2 " Cutlasses	"	5	-			
	" 1 Gear	"	5	-			
10	" 1 Large File	"	2	6			
13	" 4 Flat Irons	"	16	"			
	" 1 Gross Screws 1/2 in	"	3	4			
	" 12 Prs Harness Leather	1	10	"			
" 31	" 96 Bus: Oyster Shells	1	3	9			
	" 1 Glazed Cat	"	2	6			
	" 1 Large Tin Canister	"	6	3			
	" 1 Hat	"	5	"	15	13	
1856							
Jany	4 Balance due. British Factory			£	94	3	1
" 5	" Cash, returned loan	2	5	"			
" 15	" " to Mrs. Thompson, on going to Liverpool	1	16	"			
" 16	" 5 Plank 24 x 11 in. 180 for canoe & house	1	1	8			
	" 2. " 22 ft 6 in x 10 37 "	"	6	2			
	" 1 " 18 feet x 10 15 "	"	2	6			
	" 228 ft. Rind Board. unused Jany 1st 2 for canoe house	1	16	8	7	8	"
	" Amt Carried. over			£	101	11	1

1856.		To Amount Brought over				£101	11	1	
Jany 16	"	117 feet Board	6/	"	19	6			
	"	2 pcs Cotton Hdkfs	4/1½	"	8	3			
	"	1 " " "	3/1½	"	3	1½			
	"	1 " 9/8 Fancy Print	11/3	"	11	3			
	"	1 Cover Bowl	1/3	"	1	3			
	"	3 Iron Bar	6/6	"	4	6			
	"	2 lbs Pitch	8	"	1	4			
26	"	18 pieces 9/8 Print Print	10/-	6	"	"			
	"	10 " Madras Hdkfs	12/6	6	5	"			
	"	12 " Rumalls	3/6	2	2	"			
	"	100 " Manchester Bafts 18 yds	6/3	31	5	"			
	"	Bale Packing &c	12/4½	"	12	4½			
	"	100 Pcs Manchester Bafts	4/10½	24	7	6			
	"	Bale Packing &c	10/10½	"	10	10½			
28	"	1 Bus: Salt	2/6	"	2	6			
29	"	12 Bus Salt	2/-	1	4	"			
	"	1 Hogshead 5/2 lbs.	2/2	"	11	11			
30	"	3 Plank 132 feet 7 in	6/3	1	2	"	76	2	4½

minus allg them 20 cts 3 yds a bar

	31	" 3 Pounds Tobacco	C3	1	2	"	10	2	4½
Feb:	5	" 5 dozen Short Cutlasses	10/-	3	10	"			
		" Codfish	1½	"	12	6			
		" 4 Hams 57 lb.	c ½	3	6	6			
"	20	" 1 Refined h. b.	c 2/2	"	13	"			
	23	" 2 lb. Nails	C8	"	1	4			
	24	" 2 Large Vegetable dish	2/-	"	4	"			
		" 1 " Size Cover Bowl.	2/6	"	2	6			
		" 2 " 2nd Size do do		"	3	6			
		" 1 " 3 " do do		"	1	4			
		" 3 " 4 " do do		"	3	"	7	16	8
					£		185	10	1½
1856		Contra Cr.							
Jany	11	By 1 Paper Fish Hooks No 12	1/-	"	1	"			
	14	" 1 Axe	5/-	"	5	"			
	15	" 8 Tin Cans	4/6	"	4	6			
	24	" 1 Box Steel pens	2/6	"	2	6			
		" 3 pairs Hinges 12 lb.	1/-	"	3	6			
		" 12 " Thread Hinges 18 lb	C1/-	"	18	9	1	17	3
		" To Balance Carried Forward.			£		183	12	10½

1856		To Balance brought forward				£183	12	10½
January	30th	By 1 Lance		4	"	"		
		sold at half the what G. T. gave for it but be paid in goods as above						
Feb:	4th	" 1 Paper fish Hooks		"	1	9		
	13	" 1 dozen files	8/	"	8	"		
	16	" 6 Padlock	6/	"	6	"		
	23	" 1 Box Carpenters Tools		3	18	3¾		
		of Mr Hedrick Millersville deceased						
	24	" 55 lbs Smoothing Iron	6	1	7	6	10	0	6¾
						£173	12	3¾

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Aug 2/55 to Jul. 26/56
£173. 12. 3 3/4
Brought to Mr. Burton
July 1/56.

drew at 30 d/s for
draft on Gr. L. 89

The Tobacco charged in the
rice, by orders from Mr Thompson
man wanted Tobacco, but to g
Nathans, as he did not want

the within bill was paid for
[illegible]son. He wrote Mr. that the
[illegible] give them their pay at Mr
[illegible] Robeson on his books,
L. W. B.

Carpet bellows things
" Freetown Man
of Nassau

378. George St. Free Town, Sierra Leone

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Mendi Expedition

Bought of John Ezzidio.

Drapery, Clothing, Haberdashery, Boots & Shoes,

Stationery, Hardware, Earthenware, Wines, Provisions &

GENERAL MERCHANT.

1855

Novr. 23	To Cash paid Wharfage on 44 pkgs (kept part at wife's house)				
	Packages bonded by Emily	"	12	6	
24	Ditto paid Mr. James Sohn as School teacher - kept this wife's wages per order dated 15th Novr. 1855	5	"	7	
26	Ditto paid Labourers for carrying them to Warehouse packing 44 packages landed by "Emily"	"	1	10	
29	5 lbs crushed Sugar 8d	"	3	4	
	1 Bottle Table Vinegar	"	1	"	
	Cash paid for 1 Ham 10½ lbs @ ¼	"	14	"	
	1 Glass Lantern	"	4	2	
	Cash paid Warehouse rent in Freetown	1	19	4	
30	Ditto paid Captain Sumner for boarding of Dr. Lee & wife and Miss Mc Cintosh for 1 Week - Freetown	3	2	6	
	Ditto paid Richard Smart Ferryman for conveying 44 Packs shipped in his Schooner for Sherbro	"	10	"	
	Carried over	£	12	9	3

1856	To	Amount Brot. Over				12	9 3
Nov. 30		Cash paid Mr. Thos. N. Peters for freight on 53 packages (including passage 44 passengers) shipped in his Schooner for Sherbro, including the passage of Mr. & Mrs. Lee, Miss Mackintosh & Child	6	"	"		
		Ditto paid him for passage of Messrs. Bennett (carpenter), Thos. Decker (labourer) and Daughter	"	15	"		
		Ditto paid Richard Smart Ferryman for conveying the luggage of the above men and taking them alongside	"	2	6	6	17 6
						19	6 9
	To	Balance				41	17 8½
						61	4 5½

	By Balance of A/c rendered up to the 21st November 1855		61	4	5½
			61	4	5½
1855 Nov. 30	By Balance	£	41	17	8½

378, George St. Free Town, Sierra Leone 1856

Mendi Mission

Bought of John Ezzidio,

DRAPERY, CLOTHING BOOTS & SHOES

HABERDASHERY.

Stationery, Hardware, Earthenware, Wines, Provisions &c.

GENERAL MERCHANT.

1855							
Decr	11	To Cash paid Dr. Henry Deane for attending Mr B. prior to his last coming mendicines as per order dated Decr 5th		1	11	6	
	13	Ditto paid John C. Taylor Esqr. for 2 Loaves Cheese 16 3/4 lb @ 7/6		1	5	1½	
		1 Canister Arrowroot 2 lb	3/	.	7	3	
	15	Cash paid Mr. Julia Brandon as per order dated 14th November 1855		.	5	.	
	18	12 Hams 9 7/ lb	1/4	6	9	4	
	31	Cash paid Mr. Pitt as per order dated Good Hope Decr 20th 1855		4	.	.	
		Ditto paid Mr. Wilkinson as per order dated Good Hope 20th Decr		6	12	2	23 10 4½
1856 Jany	5	Ditto paid W. H. Lynch Esqr. for 1 Cross Cut Saw		1	.	.	
		1 Pair Wellington Shoe		.	8	8	
		Cash paid Mr. Syrett for 1 Anchor		.	16	8	
		Ditto paid Mr. Daniel Decker as per order dated this day		3	.	.	
		Cash per personal order of Mr. Brooks		.	5	.	
	7	1 Tin Case		1	4	6	
		Cash per personal order of Mr. Brooks		2	.	.	
	8	12 lb 6 in Spike Nails	@ 6	.	6	.	
		13 lb 4 in Ditto		.	6	6	
		½ Doz. Gents Merino Socks		.	10	10	
		Cash paid Chas. Heddle Esqr. as per order dated this day		1	.	.	10 18 2
		Carried over					£34 8 6½

1856		To Amount Brought Over			348	6½
Jany	8	" Cash paid Mrs Lamner for board	"	12	"	
	11	" Ditto advanced Mr Daniel Dicker for paying his passage to Sherbro	"	6	"	
	14	Ditto paid Mr William Chamber Sawyer as per order dated Good Hope 3rd Jany 1856 vd Kow-Mendi	6	15	"	
		Ditto paid him for his wife as per order dated this day for washing	2	8	9	
		Ditto paid Sarah Johnson as per order dated 3rd Inst for washing	3	"	"	
		Ditto paid Sal. During, Tailor as per order dated 3rd Jany 1856	1	"	"	
		Ditto paid Sal. Beale as per order dated Jany 2nd 1856 cvd by Good Hope	1	7	"	
	15	Ditto paid Mrs Eliza Brown as per advice due on the 15th	"	5	"	
	19	Ditto paid Julia Branden as per order dated 14th November 55	"	5	"	
		Ditto paid Postage on a letter from New York per Steamer "Lambe"	"	"	4	15 19 1
	21	" 1 Pair Ladies Blk Gambroon Boots	"	5	"	
		1 pair " Cashmere "	"	5	"	
		Cash paid W. E. Bacon Esq. for 2 Pair Buck Skin Boots	1	"	"	
		Ditto paid for 2 pr. Albert Slippers	"	8	4	
	22	Ditto paid John Davis Sawyer Mo. Tabbay as per order dated 16th Jany 56	6	15	6	
	24	Ditto advanced Sal. Beale for paying his passage to Sherbro	"	6	"	
		Ditto paid for 50 lb Butter 7/10	4	11	8	
	26	Ditto advanced John Cumber & Isaac Penner Carpenters as per advice Good Hope Mo Tabbay 25/-	2	10	"	
	28	Ditto paid Jno. E. Taylor Esq. for ½ Barrel Flour	2	"	"	
		20 lb Coffee 1/-	1	"	"	
		20 lb Ginger 3d	"	5	"	19 6 6
		Carried forward			69	14 1½

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1856		To Amount Brought Forward				69 14 1½
Jany.	28	" 1 Barrel Crushed Sugar 193 lbs @ 7d	5	12	7	
		" Cash paid Messrs Olafield & Co for 7½ Gallon ground Nut Oil (for shoulders & legs)	5/-	1	14	6
Febry	1	" Ditto paid Labourers for bringing up 1 Trunk & 1 Case	3	"	"	3
	5	" Ditto advanced Joseph Jackson (Carpenter) Capt.	1	5	"	
	7	" Ditto paid Mr. Brandon as per order dated 31st January (Watchman) 56	1	"	"	9 15 3
	8	" Ditto paid Richard Smart Ferryman for transhipping 60 Pack^gs from the "Red Warrior" to the Brig Bangah	"	15	"	
		Ditto paid Isaac L. James Landing Waiter for superintending the transhipment	"	6	3	
		Ditto paid Messrs Malfilatre & Co for freight on 60 Pckg. shipped in the "Bangah" (sent out by Red Warrior)	4	"	"	
		Ditto paid Mrs Maryann Decker for paying her passage to Sherbro	1	"	"	
		Ditto paid Labourers for conveying 1 Trunk & Mattress	"	"	1½	
	13	Ditto per personal order of Mrs Moore	"	3	"	
	23	Ditto paid Mrs Jane Decker	"	4	"	
		Ditto paid Mrs Jane Thomas	"	5	"	6 13 4½
		Carried over				86 29

1856		To Amount Brought over				86 2 9
May:	23	5 lb Brown Sugar @ 7d	"	2	11	
	26	25 lb 4 in Spike Nails	"	12	6	
		25 " 10d Nails	"	12	6	
		Cash paid for 2 Cheeses 12¾ lb 1/6	"	19	1½	
		Ditto paid for 21 Country Basket	"	8	9	
		Amount of an order drawn on me in favor of D. K. Flickinger as per order dated	19	"	"	is settled with Hid-wy
	28	Ditto paid Mr. Saml. Burden for 2 months charges to M. M. B. 5th Jany. & 2nd Febry. 5/	"	10	"	
Mar:	1	" 1 Yard Sarsenet Ribbon	"	1	"	
		2 Yards Ditto 6d	"	1	"	
		1 Ladies Collar	"	3	6	
		Cash paid Mrs. Saml. Burden as per order due on the 1st	"	5	"	22 16 3½
		Ditto paid for 2 Quarters subscription to the African for Revd. G. Thompson	"	8	"	
	8	4 lb Crushed Sugar 8d	"	2	8	
		Cash paid Watchmaker for repairing a Watch	"	8	"	
	15	Ditto paid Eliza Brown for 2 months from 15th Jany. to 15th Mar.	"	10	"	
		Ditto paid Jane Thomas as per order dated Febry 15th 1856	"	5	"	
	22	Ditto paid Jane Decker as per order due on the 18th	"	4	"	
		Ditto per personal order of Mrs Moore	1	"	"	
	24	Ditto paid Mrs. Wm. Chambers as per order of Dr. Lee	2	4	11	
April	2	" Ditto paid Mrs. Sumner as per order dated this day (Mrs Mont Boone at Mulberry)	5	16	8	
		Ditto per personal order of Mrs Moore	1	"	"	
		Ditto per personal order of Mrs Mackintosh	1	"	"	12 19 3
		Carried forward		£	121	18 3½

1856	2	To Amount Brought forward				121 18 3½
Apl.	2	" Cash paid Mr. John Mitchenor for passage of Mrs. Lockes	"	10	"	
	5	" Ditto paid Mr. Saml. Burden as per order due on the 1st	"	5	"	
	9	Ditto paid John Moses – Sawyer as per order dated 28th May 55 (Raw Hide)	6	10	9	
		Ditto paid John Williams as per order dated 1st April (Sawyer)	2	17	6	
		Ditto paid William Chambers as per order dated 1st Apl. 1856 (Sawyer)	2	18	"	
		Ditto paid John Williams as per order dated 28th March 1856	"	10	"	
	14	" Ditto per personal order of G. Thompson	1	"	"	Dr. to G. T.
		Ditto paid John Cole as per order dated Good Hope Jan.y 23/56 (Ins. Fledgers paid for shoes)	3	9	8	for going ashore the Country
	15	" Ditto paid Mrs. Eliza Brown as per order dated 13th Jan.y 1856	"	5	"	
	18	Ditto paid Mrs. Eliza Brown a per order dated Good Hope 9th April 1856	"	10	"	18 15 11
	19	" Ditto paid Jane Dicker as per order dated 23rd February	"	4	"	
		Ditto paid Jane Thomas as per order dated Feb. 15th 1856	"	5	"	
	23	Ditto paid for curiosities for Rev. George Thompson	1	"	10	to be charged to G. T.
		Ditto paid for 2 pagnes ditto	"	6	6	do
	25	1 Bottle Salad Oil	"	1	6	
	28	1 Pair Ladies Boot	"	5	"	
		1 Pair Carpet Slippers	"	4	2	
		10 Yards Printed Muslin	"	10	"	
		14¾ " Blounze 1/6	"	17	6	
		4 yds. Ribbon 1/-	"	4	"	
		Cash paid passage of 4 men per the "Nancy" as per order dated 24th April 1856	1	"	"	
						4 18 6
		Carried over				145 12 8½

1856	To Amount Brought over					145	12	8½
April 29	Cash per personal order of Revd G. Thompson		1	"	"	charge to G.T.		
	3 Yd^s Romalls	unmarked cotton @ 3/6	"	10	6			
	1 Bottle Table Vinegar		"	1	6			
	2 Merino Shirts	10/	1	"	"			
	Cash paid Thomas Dicker as per order dated Good Hope 4th April 56	labour	2	8	10½			
	Ditto paid William Ward as per order dated April 24th 1856	labour	1	17	10½			
	Ditto paid Mr^s Bennet as per order dated 29th April 1856	her husband carpenter; Messrs husband	4	"	"			
	10 Yards Printed Muslin	1/	"	10	"			
	1 Pair Brown Ladies Boot		"	5	"			
	1 Pair Black Ditto		"	8	8			
	3 Pairs White Cotton Stockings	2/6	"	7	6			
	Ditto paid Thos^d Roberts as per order dated Good Hope 24th April 56	Mason and Cotton &c	11	13	4			
	4 Yds Doestin No 42437	3/3	"	13	"	24	16	3
	6 " Ditto 42591	2/6	"	15	"			
	3 Yds Ditto 42590	2/6	"	7	6			
	3 Yds Ditto 42591	2/6	"	7	6			
	Cash paid for 10 Lbs Ham 109 lbs	1/	8	3	6			
	6 Yds Yellow Ribbon	3d	"	1	6			
	Cash paid William Macaulay as per order dated 19th April 1856	carpenter	4	15	"			
	Ditto paid Isaac Vincent for Service at Boom Falls dated 24th April	Master	9	17	8			
	Ditto paid Peter Chally Captain & 6 Canoemen	2/6	"	17	6			
	Ditto paid W. Draper Editor of the New Era for advertg. E. H. Green as an impostor.	Present Demand it as a member of Mendi mission	"	4	"			
	Ditto paid Hannah Will for 5½ Yd^s Flannel	for Mrs Bell 4½	1	2	11			
	Ditto paid Mr^s Pitt as per order dated April 29th 1856		3	"	"			
29	2 Cans Paint Oil 10 Gallons	7/6	3	15	"	32	7	1
	for Mr Tobba April 29th					202	16	1½

1856		To Amount Brot Forward					202 lb	1/2
Apl.	29	1 Empty Trunk			15			
		1 Box Arrowroot 60 lb	3d		15			
No. 68 Y		1 " Candles 50 lb a deduction	1/6	3	15			
		Cash paid Messrs. Oldfields & Co for 30 Gallons Ground Nut Oil (burnt yesterday)		7	10			
		1 Loaf Cheese 8 1/2 lb	1/6		12	9		
		2 lb Mixed Tea	5/		10			
		2 Smoothing Planes	5/6		11			
		Cash paid W. N. Lynch Esq. for 1 Doz. white Stockings			18			
		3 Skeins Silk Thread				9 1/2		
		10 Loaves Sugar 100 lb. Loaf Sugar	8d	3	6	8		
		Cash paid for 4 Doz. Matches			9	4		
	30	Ditto paid Henry Deane for Medicines supplied from 19th to 24th April (Apothecary's Account to date Mayor Mandrillo)		6	13	6	25 17	1/2
May	1	Ditto paid Rev. Geo. Thompson being amount of an order drawn by Lewis Tappan Esq. dated 2nd November 1855		10	8			
		10 Yards Printed Muslin	1/		10			
	2	1 Doz. Gents Grey Merino Socks (Sales 1st Batch)		1	10			
	3	Cash per order of Mr. Burton		5				
		4 Sticks Sealing Wax	6		2			
		Cash paid Mr. Saml. Burden as per order dated 1st Instt			5			
		Ditto paid W. H. Pratt Esq. as per order dated 3rd May			10			
		Ditto paid for Washing as per order dated 3rd May 1856			18			
		1 Silver Thimble			2	6		
		Cash paid Dr. Deane for Medicines as per order dated this day			15	8		
		Ditto paid Mr. Daniel Decker Feeder as per order dated this day		3	5	8		
		1 pcs Regatta Stripes 30 yds @ 5 3/4			139	24	11	
					£	252	14	

1856		To Amount Brought over				252	14		
May	5	1 pair Gents Carpet Slippers	"	4	2				
		Cash per order of D. W. Burton	"	5	"				
	7	Ditto paid Captain Sumner for Board of Dr. & Mrs. Lee, Miss Mackintosh, D. W. Burton Wife and 12lb Guaver Jelly as per order of D. W. Burton dated this day	20	14	9	21	3	19	
$1 a dollar									
		Cash paid for 1 Doz. Dinner Knives and Forks	"	12	"				
		Ditto paid for 1/2 Doz. Table Spoons	"	3	"				
		Ditto paid for 1/2 Doz Dinner Plates	"	4	4				
		Ditto paid for 1/2 Doz. Breakfast Do	"	4	4				
		1 Frying Pan	"	3	6				
		1 Brass Kettle	"	7	6				
		1/2 Doz. Tea Cups & Saucers 10/-	"	5	"				
		Cash paid for 2 Basons 1/3	"	2	6				
		Ditto paid for 2 Small Do 1/-	"	2	"				
		3 Vegetable Dishes 4/6	"	13	6				
		12 yds Mackabuck 1/3	"	15	"				
		1 pcs 24 yds Shirting	"	10	"				
		Cash paid for 3 Candlesticks 2/-	"	4	"				
		1 Leg Ham ~~wgt~~ 8 1/2 lb 1/6	"	12	9				
		1 Jar Butter ~~wgt~~ 13 lb 2/-	1	6	"				
		1 Bladder Lard 4 3/4 lb 1/3	"	5	11½				
		1/2 Doz. Imitation Rose Wood for Dining room Furniture Chairs	2	8	"				
		3 Bottles Vinegar 1/6	"	3	"	9	2	4½	
		2 Do Salad Oil (pint) 2/6	"	5	"				
		2 Sauce Pans 5/- 7/-	"	12	"				
		1 Tin Abernethy Biscuit	"	7	6				
		1 " Mixed Desert Do	"	6	6				
		4 lb Coffee 1/-	"	4	"				
		1 lb Mixed Tea	"	5	"				
		1 Loaf Sugar 10 lb 8d	"	6	8				
		1/2 Doz. Tumblers 13/-	"	6	6	2	13	2	
					£	285	13	5½	

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1856		To Amount Brought over				252	14		
May	5	1 pair Gents Carpet Slippers		4	2				
		Cash per order of D. W. Burton		5					
	7	Ditto paid Captain Sumner for Board of Dr. & Mrs. Lee, Miss McIntosh, D. W. Burton Mary & and 12lb Guaver Jelly as per order of D. W. Burton dated this day	20	14	9	21	3	19	
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		Ditto paid for 1/2 Doz. Table Spoons		3					
		Ditto paid for 1/2 Doz Dinner Plates		4	4				
		Ditto paid for 1/2 Doz. Breakfast Do		4	4				
		1 Frying Pan		3	6				
		1 Brass Kettle		7	6				
		1/2 Doz. Tea Cups & Saucers 10/-		5					
		Cash paid for 2 Basons 1/3		2	6				
		Ditto paid for 2 Small Do 1/-		2					
		3 Vegetable Dishes 4/6		13	6				
		12 yds Mackabuck 1/3		15					
		1 pcs 24 yds Shirting		10					
		Cash paid for 3 Candlesticks 2/-		4					
		1 Leg Ham ~~wg~~ 8 1/2 lb 1/6		12	9				
		1 Jar Butter ~~wg~~ 13 lb 2/-		1	6				
		1 Bladder Lard 4 3/4 lb 1/3		5	11½				
		1/2 Doz. Imitation Rose Wood for Dining room Furniture Chairs	2	8					
		3 Bottles Vinegar 1/6		3		9	2	4½	
		2 Do Salad Oil (pint) 2/6		5					
		2 Sauce Pans 5/- 7/-		12					
		1 Tin Abernethy Biscuit		7	6				
		1 " Mixed Desert Do		6	6				
		4 lb Coffee 1/-		4					
		1 lb Mixed Tea		5					
		1 Loaf Sugar 10 lb 8d		6	8				
		1/2 Doz. Tumblers 13/-		6	6	2	13	2	
					£	285	13	5½	

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378, George St. Free Town, Sierra Leone 18

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Bought of John Ezzidio,

DRAPERY, CLOTHING BOOTS & SHOES

St. George's Church.

HABERDASHERY.

Stationery, Hardware, Earthenware, Wines, Provisions &c.

GENERAL MERCHANT.

1856					
	To Amount Brot Forward				285 13 5½
May 7	" Cash paid Labourer for conveying articles	"	"	3	
" 8	" Ditto paid for 1 pair Shoes as per order of Mr D. W. Burton	"	5	"	
	" Ditto paid for 1 Do Ditto	"	6	6	
	" 6 lbs Arrowroot 3	"	1	6	
9	" Cash paid for 1 Water Jug as per order of D. W. Burton dated 8th May 1856	"	2	6	
	" Ditto paid Mal filatto & Co as per order Bricks for Grave Hope $12 a thousand Fired brick	5	7	6	
10	" Ditto paid for 3 Lamps & Table	1	6	"	
	" Ditto paid Alex Graff for making 3 Mattresses	"	5	3	7 14 6
	" Ditto as per order of Mr Burton Cash for lime & Bricks	6	"	"	
	Ditto paid Messrs Weir & Co as per order of D. W. Burton dated this day Cloth for trousers &c	4	3	6	
	1 Box Candles 35 lb 1/6	1	17	6	
	3 Bottles Allsopp's Ale 1/3	"	3	9	
12	Cash paid Sarah Coker as per order of D. W. Burton dated this day	"	10	"	
					12 14 9
	Amount Carried Over				£306 2 8½

1856	To Amount Brot over					306 2 8½
May 12	Cash paid for Passage of Mr. D. W. Burton & Wife and Do. Lee's Son as per order dated Freetown 12th May 1856		23	19	3	
	10 ℔ Madras Handkfs	10/	5	"	"	with sell to notes upon
	6 " Do Ditto	9/	2	14	"	
	1 Black Felt Hat		"	10	"	
	1 Grey Ditto		"	6	6	
	1 Steel Scissors		"	1	6	
	4 Nutmegs	3/	"	1	"	
13	1 Skein Sewing Twine		"	1	6	
	Cash paid Maria Smith as per order of D. W. Burton dated this day		1	"	"	
	Cash paid Mr. M. H. Thomas as per order dated Good Hope 21st April 1856 — Coll American Woman; Inquit Woman Kampenlo		7	6	6	41 " 2
	Ditto paid Dr. Henry Deane for amount of an order drawn in his favor by D. W. Burton dated 9th May 1856		"	10	6	
	2 Pairs Plaid Trowsers	15/ 20/	1	15	"	
	2 Tins Dessert Biscuits	6/	"	13	"	
	1 " Abernethy Do		"	7	6	
	1 Plaid Waistcoat		"	10	10	
	Cash paid L. C. Taylor Esq. for amount of an order drawn in his favor by D. W. Burton dated this day		1	4	1	
14	1 Cotton Umbrella		"	7	6	
	Cash per personal order of Mr. D. W. Burton — Cash to order £2 for [illegible] 4s. 8		10	"	"	15 8 5
					£	362 11 3½
omitted April 28	1 Ladies Dress Cap			5	6	
May 13	3 Tins Blacking	9/		2	3	
14	Cash paid Oldfield & Co. for 6 Gallons good Oil	3/	1	10	"	1 17 9
					£	364 9 1½
	To Balance Brot Down	£3.0.8				

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	By Balance of A/c rendered up to the 30th November 1855	44	17	8½
Dec. 12	" Amount of Freight on 9 Packages shipped in the Schooner "Emily"	1	17	6
18	" Cash received from Mr. Albert Williams for Books	"	16	8
1856 Jany 2	" 1 Set American Missionary Bill dated Good Hope December 21st 1855 at 30 days sight drawn by Mr. D. W. Burton in my favor to Lewis Tappan Esqr. Treasurer of the A. M. A. 48 Buckman St. New York	100	"	"
5	1020 feet Pine Boards @ $30	6	7	6
	Cash received from Mr. L. B. Elliott for the India Rubber Suit ~~sub ab for debited~~	2	8	7
A/c 1	Amount of Goods shipped in the Schooner "Emily" Captn Grantzow - should be credited on the 23rd Nov. last - 1855	8	"	5
14	1 Set American Missionary Bill dated Good Hope April 8th 1856. at 30 days sight drawn in my favor by D. W. Burton to Lewis Tappan Esqr Treasurer of A. M. A. 48 Buckman St. New York	200	"	"
				361 8 4½
May 14	Balance carried Down favor of			3 " 8
				£364 " ½

E. & O. E.

Mr Ezekiel's bill

Dec 11/55 to May 13/56

£364. 9. 0½

Brought by D. W. Burton
July 1/56

364. 9. 0
178. 12. 4
543. 1. 4

173
200
573

Mass Peach (P. Clark)
9208

Have as few packages as possible
to save wharfage & warehousing &c
a barrel of Bags pays no more
than a small box Soap
Mr Burton explained all this to
Mr Wellington a great while since
Pack in large Oil cases the oil
case will sell at a great profit there
Cost here $7 & 10 there for to 2. 8 & 4
Could We use Oil Bar- tunes as large
as a Pinchem
Could have 500 feet loose in Oil cases
as they have boxes enough there.
Boxes don't sell at all.
Cases do sell. We expect to send all
we can in Cases.

$15 worth Sugar
lost between
Salem & Ezekiel

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7347
FISK UNIV.

Mr Burton returned in Brig Frontier, Capt John C Berry of Salem,
Ch Jenks merchant Salem

Mr Ezekiel would like to have some one buy for him in Mobile & a useful
man go back & forth constantly.

√ John Erwieder

11 July 1856

recd ~~in England~~

14 Aug.

and 20 Aug. L. B.

Examine his draft

1st Mary – 30 to England
115 to US.
50 in US.
15 to Eng. in Eng
60 days in Eng

30 | 200 | 6
180
20

40
50
90
3.

Examine
Gen Orth & Cert
Signature

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St Georges Cathedral.

John Ezzidio, General Merchant,
378. Georges St. City of Freetown.
Sierra Leone. 11th July 1856

Per "Retriever"

Lewis Tappan Esq.

Dear Sir

This morning I received your letter of the 26th of May last and hasten to acknowledge it by the Mail which sails tomorrow.

I am sorry to say that the abeyance in the payment of the Bills drawn by the Members of the Mendi Mission is not satisfactory. I have very often to lay out ready cash on their account and for the Bills are given at 30 days sight which according to the English

way

usage should on their presentment be paid at the expiration of the period for which they are drawn. Messrs Morgan & Co however inform me that you keep the Bills in America untill they become due and then remit a Bill on London at 60 days sight so that there is an elapse of 6 Months from the time when the Bills are sent from this place to the period of their payment. This certainly cannot be profitable as indeed I am the loser by it. All the Government and other missionary Bills are chiefly at 30 days sight payable in London and I thought that in accepting Bills at 30 days sight whereby I lose a months interest was accommodating the Imendi Mission; little thinking that I would be kept waiting 3 months longer. I trust you will see the inconvenience in which I am placed with reference to the business of the Imendi Mission and unless I am allowed sufficient interest to cover the loss of time and labour I shall be unable to continue it any longer.

Here

There is another Bill for £200. which is on its way to England and will doubtless reach you before long, and I therefore hope you will send to my agents a Bill in London payable at sight.

The letters said to be enclosed in mine addressed to Dr. Lee and Miss Moore ~~have~~ were not forwarded to me otherwise I would gladly send Dr. Lee's to him. Miss Moore has sailed for America about a month ago. Mr. Burton has also left.

I have hitherto supplied the Mendi Mission with Duplicate Copies of their accounts with the view of sending one Copy to you and keeping the other in the Mission.

When Mr Shewey was leaving for America in May last year, I entrusted to his care Books & Illustrated London Newspapers to be bound up, since then I have heard nothing from him. Perhaps you will do me the kindness to make enquiries about them for me. Some of the illustrated to be framed.

With kind regards.

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With Kind regards.

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A. M. A. ARCHIVE
NO. A1-7349
FISK UNIV.

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hereby authorized to value on Messrs. Brown, Shipley & Co. Liverpool, payable in London
for account of
for any sums not exceeding

And Brown, Shipley & Co. hereby agree with the drawers endorsers & bona fide holders of bills drawn in compliance with the terms of this credit that the same shall be duly honoured on presentation at their counting house
The bills must be drawn within months from this date

For £
Please sign bills as being drawn (signed) Brown, Shipley & Co
under credit No. dated

Received the original of the above letter of credit for
in consideration whereof
do hereby agree with Messrs. Brown, Shipley & Co. to provide, previous to the maturity of the bills sufficient funds to meet the payment of whatever may be negociated by virtue thereof with commission on the same per cent & that all property which shall be purchased or shipped in compliance with the terms of the credit & the proceeds thereof & the policies of insurance thereon, together with the bills of lading are hereby pledged & hypothecated to them, as collateral security for the payment as above promised & held subject to their order on demand with authority to take possession & dispose of the same at discretion for their security or reimbursement, unless the amount be otherwise secured or remitted satisfactorily. It being understood that monies paid to Brown, Brothers & Co. shall be taken as payment without recourse. In all settlements arising under this credit, the pound sterling shall be calculated at the current rate of exchange at the time of such settlement and interest charged, at the rate of five per cent per annum, or at the current rate if over that

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Obligation given Messrs Brown, Brothers & Co when Letter of Credit is taken

Nov. 1856.

A. M. A.

To ask Mr Burton.

In his letter to G. W. July 14/54 he mentions a little boy, 5 years old, later to suffer to be named Mills Blakesley of Conn. See Memo Book. ask for names of all the children there suffered. as G. W. about list &c

Jan 19/55 he writes that he could sell at large profits Graham biscuit – best port & butter.

Cost of supporting a child, for donors here

Nov 30/55 speaks of a man in Ohio who will pay all the prime slaves they can deliver of. $25 Burton says what's going
Demand is increasing at Phila
Good many of small sizes
from 15 to 40 lbs

He speaks of Knives Forks etc he could sell at large profit

also Soap. Could sell a box a dozen from 15 to 20 cts.

Have estimates left of ~~provisions~~ for a year

ask him the width of the Bolts on the later date Jan 1/55 India Bolt yard wide
Go over Ezzidis & Nathans ~~bol~~ Manchester Bolts va- not width. India bd

Ofs with Mr Burton & explain the necessity of prates particularly when he sends the ofs in a steamer boat
See also about the articles bought. Corn

AM. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7350
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Mr Buxton about
goods for Africa
Nov 56

about putting up all the purchased
Casks instead of boxes.

Casks are wanted solely for oil.
Plunderers hardest.
Light things might go in wheelbarrow
casks.
New ones can be made at 6/d per gall
more than they cost here in Africa
Cost just duty goods in old out casks
Casks are made at Newcastle
Great Bradford
Light goods could be packed in
cheap trunks.
Cheap black trunks $1 & $2.50
plaintiff tient of trunks.

Everidge said he w. charge for goods at
wholesale 35 per ct

E. is a native African — near 50
very black.
Local preacher Wesleyan ch

Sugar cost in Africa
50 to 100 per ct
more than in U.S.
They have used 6
bbls in a year
at the Mission

and

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
No. H-1357
FISK UNIV.

Seven Mile July 16/56

Rev. Geo Whipple,
48 Beekman St. N.Y.

Dear Bro— yours of the 3rd of June was received and read several times both by Mrs F. & self

We are somewhat at a loss to understand its import, & yet we might conjecture in part, what was before your mind when you wrote, If our individual good was intended, you will have the kindness in your next to explain and apply, and we will endeavor to become wiser & better by your admonitions

We never had stronger desires to be right before God than we have whilst penning these lines, But, Alas; how short-coming

I never before had so clear an understanding, & realization of what the Apostle meant when he said "Not by works of Righteousness which we have done" &c as I have at this time

For four weeks past I have been engaged in soliciting funds for our Missionary society

I have secured by Note about $1700-00, & hope that an interest in the cause of missions has also been awakened- I lecture each Lord's day once, & then through the week visit from house to house

There is a mountain of Covetousness yet to be removed out of the Church

Politics are running high and money is free for that cause, but as Fremont is all the go here we must hear it I suppose

What will be the prospect as to getting passage from N. Y. to Africa about the 1st of Oct next?
That is the time we wish to start, Will you keep me advised?
Will you send out this fall, & what time?
My general health is improving but my legs are so weak that after standing on them long enough to lecture they tremble for several hours. Mrs S's health has not been so good for three weeks past as it was before, Bilious attacks with cramp, in stomach, & limbs amounting to Cholera almost in a mild form are keeping her feble
Received letter from Dr Witt, & Mr Bilhimer my associates - for Africa. They seem to be in good earnest

D. K. Flickinger
Seven Mile ~~Creek~~
July 15/56

The apology for not writing sooner is simply I have been busy when well enough to work. At home but one day last week.

Excuse me to Mr Lappan and tell him I have not forgotten my promise

Remember me to all the good friends of your Com, & tell them I should love to hear from them often

Let me hear from yourself. My wife joins me in sending you much love

Very truly yours
D. K. Flickinger

P. S. Have you news from Africa? Where is Leo Thompson?

N. A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FILE

17 July 1856.

Mrs Moore says the heard Mr Lee say he had authority to remove the town of Kaumeali if it could not be removed in any other way he had authority to burn it down

Mrs Moore acknowledges that she assented to the removal of the Kaumeali mission, although she did not think at the time that they would take the house down.

She thinks that the report to have written a disingenuous letter rather than sued on me as the cause. She hoped her letter would influence them to desist.

Mrs Moore thinks now that it would not be prudent for her to go back to Kaumeali & live alone with the natives in a country house with but one hands

Mrs Moore says G. T. flogged a married woman for adultery since he was last in that country & has flogged girls in the school & on to leave marks upon their flesh. G. T. made a code of laws with penalties & posted them up. She broke one of these laws. G. T. also put the woman into the stocks.

G. T. ackd before Sec of Gr. that he had flogged the woman & put her in the stocks

Mr Hunter confirms the statement about whipping the woman he says they gave her 50 lashes. And says the chiefs could be induced to execute the laws as in some instances they have.

Mrs Moore says that when Mrs Thompson was there she asked her husband to flog two grown up girls who had left the premises under suspicion. G. T. flogged one John Tiffo the other, Mr Brooks has flogged men & boys but said he could not flog women.

The flogging of the above married woman has occasioned much talk as in Africa.

Mrs Moore says G. T. is self-willed - will not take advice, but thinks himself always right & will do it.

Mrs Merts Statement
18 July 1865

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Confidential

Good Hope Mission House
Sherbro' Islands 15 July 1850

Rev. Geo. Whipple, Cor. Sec.
of the A. M. A. New York.

My dear Brother.

The circumstances under which I write, are distressing beyond measure. I have taken the responsibility of assuming the charge of this station, under the following circumstances. A difficulty exists between Dr. Lee & his wife, which was carried to such a pitch, that they not only quarrelled freely, but operated against each other, in many very important ways, so that others became involved, or were injured & abused on account of their differences. Mr. Jeffs, Miss Mackintosh felt that they could not live, at the same place with them. I was satisfied, that their feelings were well grounded. I had frequent conversations with the Doctor, who has opened his heart to me, & told me of these difficulties, and that they had never been happy together, & could not be so here, - and that the matter could not be settled. He, both myself, felt it was his duty, to leave the Mission. After this, Dr. Lee had occasion to correct the boys, for disobedience. Mrs. Lee came to me and implored me to stay the Doctor in his purpose, dismiss his authority & punish them myself. She also sounded the indignation of Mrs. Locke who has the charge of the children in the house, & the desire to resist the Doctors purposes in flogging them himself on the part of Mr. Jeffs & Miss Mackintosh. I quietly listened to the palaver between the Dr & children & regarded him in the right & not only declined acting against him but approved his conduct. Seeing things assuming this shape I called the Dr. to my room & told him

that the house was in such an excitement owing prominently to the difficulties between himself & wife that I felt that the question what must be done must be answered & acted upon at once. He talked earnestly but had no spirit of quarrel. The Dr became quite indignant that his wife should be backed by Mrs. Locke and declared that she should be driven from the house. I repeated what I had once before said to him that Mrs. Locke was hired by the year & should not be sent from the mission without just cause. I said this earnestly, and assured Dr. Lee that he could not live here under the circumstances without perpetual palaver, and that all the difficulties between him and any one else would depend much on that between himself and wife. This he felt & expressed as strongly as I could but declared his purpose to act promptly and energetically in the way he felt to be right though opposed to me, as I should see.

With these words he left me and met Mrs. Locke in the next room and commenced a palaver or one commenced between them and grew so fierce that his wife taking sides with her that I was called by Mrs. Lee to interfere in the matter by preventing the Dr. from abusing Mrs. Locke. I made a few efforts to stop the palaver to no purpose, till at length I became so disgusted and mortified that I requested Mrs Locke to retire to her room, which she at once does. The conversation was low vulgar & shameful, Mrs Lee was bitter in her accusations yea cruel. Soon after Mr. Locke left the room a circumstance occurred which prevented further palaver & I retired to my room filled with shame & sorrow. Before I had been long by myself Dr Lee called me to protect Mrs Scott from abuse

from Mrs. Lee. I again mingled in the disgusting scene & requested all the ladies to retire to their several rooms without further exchange of words - which they kindly did.

Dr Lee followed me to my room and assured me that he had no personal feelings against me, Asked pardon if he had, in his excitement said aught to wound my feelings. but said he expected me to do him justice in the matter between him & Mrs Locke. She as a hireling had no business to reply to him or any other Missionary that he would not be placed on a level with her & have the matter canvassed. She must at once be dismissed or humble herself in the act of asking his pardon. Here I found a difference of opinion. I told him, that I regarded his wife at the bottom of this palaver, that he was the aggressor & aggravated or called out the palaver, though I did not distinctly hear what past at first between them, that I thought he left the room as intending to quarrel with Mr Locke and that they were alike wrong in the matter of personal abuse and that he had certainly stooped as low as Mrs. Locke had - that so far as I heard he was first. She usually repeating his words - I said further that his difficulty between himself & wife was the bitter root the fountain from which flows all this shame and that must be first disposed of. He differed and rose giving me his hand saying to Brooks, I would not do you so great an injustice, that he would have his rights & show me and all in the house who might oppose him that his rights were not to be disregarded.

Not long after this Mrs. Lee came to my room & stood before me white, ghastly, and motionless - I requested her to withdraw - She answered that the Dr. was gone - Had taken a handkerchief and tied it around his neck & she feared he would hang himself - I went and walked with him a short time but had but few words - for he was -

not in immediate danger of self murder, and left him in the street where he now is though it is 10 o'clock.

I cannot sleep. The hour to act has come, but how? What shall I do? How can I meet the responsibility? O how these questions crowd upon my brain till I am bewildered but get no answer I pray but no peace, weep I cannot, the thought that it is time to act not to weep, the time to take responsibilities not to pray drives me to do something. Rest the charge of this station from his hands! There is no other safety - no security of peace & prosperity - With this conviction I wrote the following -

Dr. D. J. Lee, & M. C. Lee M.D.

Associates & Fellowlaborers. Under a deep and lively sense of our duty to God the Christian Church & the precious cause of Christ in which we are engaged & live to serve; on account of the grievous difficulties existing between you, in the relations you sustain to each other impeding your Missionary labour, which we most sincerely deplore, we earnestly request you to exercise no longer any authority - or act a further part in connection with this Mission Station.

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I feel most deeply the responsibility I shall take in this step, unprecedented in our Mission, the quiet - peace - yes existence of the station depends on their removal - No one can live in the house with them, by their own confession no one ever could but for a short time in America - Besides this is not the first exhibition of this intolerable hate for each other, the Sisters can tell you of their suffering in several instances from this source - such acts as shaking his fist in his wife's face kicking her in the face, quarrelling before the heathen has been witness by your Missionaries before this. But these must tell their own story -

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2d Sheet

The foregoing took place on the 16th On the morning of the 17th this note was presented to Dr. Lee. after he had spent a night in the Street & I had secured the Signatures of Mrs. Jeff & Miss. Rice Intoxi-
cated. He soon returned it with a note saying that he wished me to forward it to our Ex. Com. which I agreed to do. And retired to my room & wept bitterly, that I was called to act so grave & responsible a part alone. He then wrote a note to Mr. Nathan, asking for Board, referring him to me for particulars, I called on Mr. Nathan by request, and in answer to questions put to me by him I told him that Dr. Lee & I personally had no palaver, that a palaver existing between him & his wife was endangering the peace of the station & would parellize our efforts to do goods on which account I had addressed the above & inclosed note. During the fore noon the Docter gave up the general Store papers given to him by Mr. Burton, the books & other papers were in my possession, During my absence, he delivered up the Law Mundi Books &c by putting them in my room, This done he requested me to make orally, a conveyance, or secure a passage for him that he might go up the Boom the next day which I did in the best manner I knew how. While these scenes were being acted Mrs. Lee, requested me to secure her a passage to town, that she might go to America at once as her husband had left her, which did also.

In the after noon a new scene was acted, I was called in haste from the work Shop for Mrs. Lee was supposed to be dying found her in a fit. Sent for Dr. Lee, who after the lapse of some considerable time gave her relief.

Dr. Lees conduct during this time, gave me to suspect he was ignorant of the efforts I had made to do him the justice I had promised and my conduct towards Mrs. Locke. He slanderous accused & threatened, as soon as he was calm I ventured to approach

him, and was not replied. We had a few words with reference to Mrs. Locks matter when I repeated what I had before said that we might differ in the question of justice but what I felt to be his due I should do all I could to secure to him. Without judging of his conduct toward Mrs. Locks I regarded her conduct in returning evil for evil wrong & unchristian and on this ground I felt an apology due from her to Dr. Lee.

Dr Lee spent the night with Mrs. Lee. In the morning I got ready the boat as desired, for Dr. Lee to go up Room. While doing so Mrs. Lee called Mrs. Tefft to her room & confessed her wrongs to her. so this was settled, but no confidence restored. So black was her charges, so false her accusations. And so contrary the two positions she had taken, that there was but little ground for confidence. Next she called me with Mrs. Tefft & Miss. Macintosh to prevail on us to recall the note addressed to them as the Dr felt himself deeply wronged in the matter & charged her with the blame. And would doubtless leave her if it was not recalled. I promised to do what I could to settle the matter, but assured her that I should not interfear with their family difficulties, but that they must not draw us into them or use us in any way to aggravate them. I called the Dr. to walk with me, told him of the conversation with Mrs. Lee, & assured him I would do all I could to settle the matter. He replied that the matter could not be settled but by our recalling the note addressed to him with an apology. I answered there was no apology I could make, that placed in the same circumstances I should do over again what I had done. He said that if I had dealt with his wife. I done all I could to settle their difficulties he should have expected such a note.

but as the circumstances were he felt himself deeply wronged. I then told him that I wished he would let the matter rest till he returned from the Boom, and after more mature reflection I should see that I had done him as wrong I would make all the reparation in my power. I was sure I had done him no intentional wrong. He was quite dissatisfied with this.

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I then called the ladies to Mr. Lee's room & separately proposed requesting them to give their opinions in the matter at issue before me in presence of Mrs. Lee as they were accused of echoing my views & wishes. They did so by saying that they could not withdraw the note with an apology. After this we (Mrs. Toff Miss. Chestock & self) had a per tha conversation when they requested me to say to Dr. Lee for them that if the note was withdrawn we might say and then as withdrawn I secure their passage to America, for they could not live in a house where they had the charge & were constantly quarreling & seeking to draw all in their way into their palaver.

My next interview with Dr. Lee was at the wharf when I told him the conclusion of the matter, that we had only asked him to retire from this station and we could not without it without breaking up the station. The Dr & his wife had another interview & he on his was called home requesting me to report the whole matter to the Eq. com. which I promised to do.

Soon after he left, I went to the British Consul to settle one question of doubt, viz. Had I done Dr. Lee a wrong of informality. I learned that the Doctor had just left Victoria as I arrived & had given the Consul

that we had some difficulty between us. Mr. Hanson at once, set himself at work to make the matter good & drew out the Doctor so much as to have some little insight into the nature of the difficulty. Saw at once that the Dr. might labour under a mistaken view of the position I had assumed, and led him on so far as to express a strong desire to settle the matter. Mr Hanson promised to see me & arrange the matt so as to have me meet the Dr. at his place when he should return from the Boom this was on Friday. One week from this date Mr. Hanson sent for me to say that Dr Lee had returned as far as to Victoria from the Boom & wished me to come soon to his place fetching the note I had presented to Dr. Lee before his going up Boom. (referred to in the foregoing) I first had a short interview with Mrs. Jeffs & Miss. McIntosh. They both said that I could do as I chose in the matter of a settlement of the difficulties with Dr. Lee, but wished me to distinctly understand that in the event that Dr. Lee was restored to the charge of this station they should consider themselves no longer connected therewith & should return at once to America.

Mrs. Lockes made all the acknowledgements to Mrs. Lee Mrs Jeffs & Miss McIntosh we could desire & she felt that as the Dr. was first to insult & abuse her, he was the first to apologize to her, which done she would act the part of a lady to him. Mrs. Lee most fully sustains Mrs Lockes in her position & approves of her whole conduct towards Dr. Lee. On other hand, Mrs Lee has not eaten a meal with us for the last week though she has been able to do so & have had her food taken to her room.

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I visited Victoria as requested. found Dr. Lee in very pleasant mood, and after a few words of explanation of his position. 1st He had confidentially unbosomed his trials to his wife. 2d We had both of us come to the same conclusion. viz. that it was his duty to withdraw from this Station. 3d On the back of this there was a demonstration of this bitter feeling between himself and wife & of its spreading through the family. 4 We, his associates had no desire to make charges or meddle with a matter which he & his wife declared beyond the reach of reasonable hope of bettering. 5 Besides had we such a desire we could any amize no court of investigation for neither the witnesses, nor accusers, nor defendants could act as arbiters in the matter. Under these circumstances I felt it my duty to bring the matter to a head, and, therefore, I wrote the request I presented to him & his wife to withdraw themselves from this Station. Mr. Hanson took the same view of the matter I had after hearing us both, & so strongly approved my conduct that he said, if he were placed in the same circumstances, as he understood them he should have taken the same steps. With these explanations. Dr. Lee was satisfied to do as requested but desired the proceedings to be quashed - to which I most happily assented.

He now has nothing to do with this station, retains his charge of Kaw Mendi & as Vela cannot be had now, he thinks of commencing a small work at the Plantains.

August 1st. All is peace here yet. Decker is dismissed from Kaw Mendi for attempt of rape! O the corruption of this people.

Good news still from Boom, though I am much needed there. I shall soon go up & spend a few days there. I send the above because I fel that you should know us, but hope you will not use it in any way to the injury of Dr. Lee or Mrs. Lee lest your own heart be its tomb.

Your Missionary

J. Thos. L. Ker & Co.

Rev. J. S. Brooks
Mineral Springs
July 18. Aug 1/36.
Rec'd Sept 18.

Dr Lee.

Rooms of the American Missionary Association.

48 Beekman-Street,

New-York, 19 July 1856

Thos. Tucker (about 16) and Charles Jones (about 20) – both members of the church. W^s father not living – mother living. G. T. says Thomas's mother consented to his coming. Wm E. Tucker, uncle of Wm., approved of his coming.

Mr Whipple read Mr Brooks's letter about G. T. taking the boys to America.

Mr Lee's letter on the same business.

Charles is bound to the mission to learn the Carpenter's trade. Mr Lee says they have lost – part in taking Ch. Jones away.

Lee says Thomas is a spoiled boy & cannot return to the mission.

G. W. says he never told Mr Burton that women must not be flogged because he was unwilling that any missionary should know that flogging had been done.

G. T. says he did flog the woman & put her in the stocks. He says he can never forbear having flogging a woman, but ruled that no one should be flogged & it was impossible to carry out such a rule.

Interview
between Lee & Gr
and
G. Thompson & W. Burton
19 July, 1856

G. T. says he & Brooks used to deliver food on the premises of Chiefs &c to bring rice &c. They thought it bad policy now. G. T. put on a book all he gave it - suppose Dr Lee has it. Much might be collected. Dr Lee said he could not do anything about them.

G. T. says neither he nor W. M. supposed Mr Ross would be taken down.

G. T. says Dr Lee said it would be a good thing for them to go to Liberia. Brooks did not oppose it. Lee was angry at it.

G. T. told the boys how to face the boys. Brooks & Lee said they should not remain at the mission.

(Brooks wrote to G. W. that G. T. has gone to Liberia contrary to the wishes of a majority of the mission. He does not say whether he was with the majority.)

G. T. thinks he expended going to Liberia £3. 15. 0 and pocket money $10. Dr Lee has an account of it. to $15

G. T. says if the Com. should unanimously decide that the boys ought to go back to Africa, out of regard to the interests of the mission - after having stated his views fully to the Com. - he would consider it his duty to go back.

G. T. says Dr Lee was in favor of his bringing the boys after G. T. had read the letter of the Sec. opposing bringing the boys to the U. S. G. W. thinks Dr Lee did not favor it after the letter of the Sec. was rec'd in Africa.

G. T. says W. M. told him that Dr Lee said he believed that G. T. & Mrs Wooster had been guilty of "adultery". G. T. says W. M. uses very strong language. Both G. W. & G. T. thinks she uses language that covers a different meaning from what she intended.

Ingraham

Women admitted to ch. with bare bosoms.

Geo Thompson
interview - July 20/66
between G. T.
G. W.
S. J.
L. T.

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Danville Iowa July 31/56

Dear Br Whipple,

We arrived here safely the next Thursday after we left you. I have been very much fatigued by the journey, and have not written so soon as I would, I have but little strength, and feel unable at present to do much, my heart is in Africa, and I long to be back there at my work, but I fear that my ~~strength~~ health will not be restored soon.

I send you a list of things that Br Nathan wishes sent to him, you have had notice of the mistake about the 2 Vols of Shakespear & 1 Vol Bancroft Br Nathan has paid for them.

It is thought best that there should be lightning rods for the Mission houses at Good Hope & Bro Tappan. Good Hope needs 2.

I would like a copy of the rules & C. that you adopt for the regulation of the Mission, as soon as you get them perfected.

I return the draft for 20 dollars I wish to have Mr Sappan send me the papers that I left with him when I went to Africa, (ie) A will, a receipt for notes & C. left with my brother, and a note from him.

You must excuse me from writing much, as I am very nervous, and my thoughts in such a flurry that I can hardly get any thing together right

Ever truly yours D. W. Buxton.

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Mr D. W. Burton
Delaville Iowa
July 31/86

Rec'd and Ans Aug 6

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Bro. Whipple,

Miss Muse has told my wife that Dr Lee was under the influence of the accelerating fever when he left; that consequently he had uttered many strange things; and that when he recovered himself he think he should find no difficulty in getting along with him.

Miss Muse, who thinks is a good teacher & her heart is in the division. If the pressure she asks to go next fall, as she fears he will manifest much further.

She would like to attend our Conf. meeting. Should not she be gratified?

Yours truly Dr
Lee's last note that he is in

Word of the contents we shall not have after that
recalled the Bishop's last words it was agreed to leave Lucas and
open they Blows until 1880. Should he back & Lucas & Fulton be
immediately sent back here. J.C.

Mrs L. Tappan
July - 1856

Rev G. Mattle

Thomas Tucker
Chas Jones
to Ex. Com.
file, 1856.

Thomas Tucker says
G. T. wrote it and he
T. T. copied it.

Thomas says
Mr Thorpe writes it &
I copy it.

We do most sincerely feel that we are sinners but humbly hope and believe that we have repented, and that God has, for the sake of His Son, who died for sinners, forgiven us; and we hereby earnestly profess that we desire no longer to live for ourselves, or for this vain world, but for him who died for us and rose again — and that to prepare ourselves to do good to our benighted countrymen in Africa we desire to get a more full education and for this purpose desired to go to America with our Missionary; and we hereby solemnly promise to improve the opportunities offered us — to apply our minds to our studies — avoid evil company, and listen to the advice and instructions of our Guardians, Teachers & superiors. And we further engage, that if the Lord shall help us, and we shall get a good education & trade, we will wholly devote our learning, talents, & lives to the work of spreading the Gospel among our poor ignorant countrymen. —

All this we sincerely engage to do God helping us

Thomas Tucker

~~Charles~~

Charles Jones

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Report of Expenditures &c for Kau-Spende Mission Station for the 6 Months ending August 1st, 1856

My sickness and absence will prevent me giving a detailed account of either expenditures for the station, nor the amount received from there for the use of other Stations.

During the month of Feb. at which time I took charge there were

Paid for Laborers	£ 15.	15.	10½
" for Teacher's salary & school Expenses	7.	3.	2½
" Mission Presents for Bella	2.	3.	3
Sawyers for the Mission	13.	9.	2½
Whole Amt.	£ 43.	6.	5½
	$ 207.95		

During the Month of March

Paid for Mission Presents for Bella	1.	3.	
" for Sawyers	11.	6.	5½
Paid Interpreter Teacher & School	7.	18.	11
Paid for Laborers	9.	7.	10½
Whole Amt.	£ 36.	18.	6
	$ 117.24		

During the Months of April, May, June & July, the Expenditures were £ 35. 1. 3 / $ 140.70 } Whole Amt. for 6 Months £ 115. 6. 2½ / $ 465.89 11

The amount of receipts for articles brought away and sold from that Station together with rice and lumber also transfer of a small number of accounts, for which the station should have credit, would reduce that amount to one fourth what it at present is. Thus you see the vast difference between this and $1100 for the Quarter ending Jan. 1st, 56, when in charge of Mr. Thompson. even allowing for the deduction of the expense of the Mission Family. David J. Cox in charge

10th page

You can judge of the spiritual condition of the church at Hau-Mendi, from perusing the inclosed letter from Mr. Jewett, also something concerning the writer of it.

Bro. Brooks and I have determined to carry out a plan of regular visiting from house to house and village to village for the purpose of conversation upon religious topics with the people.

The prayer meeting here at Good Hope is very interesting and profitable. We shall establish a class meeting shortly. I shall during his absence make an effort among the people to have them bear the expense of the recent repairs and improvements we have done on the chapel.

Should the Committee deem proper to adopt the suggestions I have made and I continue in the Mission. I shall need a boat, a good sea boat, for my use at Plantain Islands. With a deep keel, but not too large in size as I would have but four oars. Please have me one built, trimed in good order, with extra wrought Iron Row locks & oars.

We are much in need of the following articles & Books

× 1 doz Websters University Edition, Dictionaries
× 2 do / ditto School Edition ditto
1000 - 5 in. Self sealing Envelops (Drab Colored)
1 Ream good White Letter Papers.
× 2 Methodist Hymn Books (next to the smallest size & church size)
2 copies of "Thoughts on Missions" published by American Tract Society
× 1 Large size Stewarts Cooking Stove (with Copper reservoir)
2 Barrels Biscuit.

I was unfortunate to loose a box filled with stationary &c by the sinking of a canoe on it way to Mo-Lappan. Some Clothing & some of the Books of Hau-Mendi Station also went down with it, hence I order a new supply. If the Committee do not adopt some plan of government, it will not be necessary to send any thing I have ordered. We will settle with Mr. Eggleston shortly as the $200 are all drawn, we will not need his services after settlement as we will adopt a different plan.

Yours in Christ David S. Lee

We are looking for a member of the Committee in October with the new Missionaries. D.S.L.

Please acknowledge the receipt of the following money, and credit the same to Benti Mission, for L. H. Burton

Quincy	Ills.	Mrs Rose	8,00
Payson	"	Deacon A. Scarborough	13,00
Plymouth	"	Children of N. F. Burton, E. Whipple & L. A. Wind, to support a child in Africa	20,00
"	"	Mrs Lawrence	1,00
"	"	Con-Church Col	1 & 6
Danville	Iowa	Edwin Cady	15,00
"	"	E. Porter	20,00
Kossuth	"	J. Heizer	1,00
"	"	N. Heizer	1,00
Burlington	"	Abner Leonard	20,00
"	"	Lucius Beardsley	2,00
"	"	C. B. Parsons	5,00
"	"	Charles White	1,00
"	"	Edward Joy	10,00
"	"	Con. Church Col	5-60
			$ 126.46

Jan 1st Aug 1856

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Good Hope. Mission House.
Sherbro Island. W.A. 8 Aug. 1856

Rev. Geo. Whipple. Corr. Sec.
A. M. A. New York.

My dear Brother. The time has come for me to act a part which I have long hoped I should be saved the pain & sorrow of doing, a part which you must have anticipated before this, if indeed you have believed me in earnest in what I have written, in reference to the unhappy relations we are compelled to sustain to each other & to our Ep. Com., in being thrown together without a knowledge of each others wishes, or views. Without Organization, motto, platform, rules of action, without head, feet, or hands, body or parts; but all head, all feet, All body, all parts. We are not Angels. If we were, & by elective grace fixed in a state of eternal holiness, we might labor together in peace, acknowledging God our head & his laws to be our rule of life; but we are sinning men and as such we need & must have an organization, a head & members, a constitution & laws. I imagine you are ready to say, this is our business not yours, but so fast Bro. Whipple. You will call to mind, that we have made some poor attempts to do so, but where are they, sanctioned by the Com.? Shown to the world appointed Missionaries? Rather are they not dead letters. Verily our labour spent on this branch of our work as proved as useless as would be an effort to tinge the Ganges with cords of sand. As men we are not only bound to yield obedience to God's laws, but to be governed by human laws. I am willing & have been to serve this Mission under any form of government, yet I do feel confident that the plan of appointing the officers of the Mission yourself & defining their duties after the Episcopal plan is by far most likely to succeed.

But my object is not to ask, or suggest a change, I ask to be allowed to regard my connection with your Mission dissolved, and on and after the first of January next I cease to be your Missionary. With liberty to draw on your treasury for $150, for passage home & clothing for change of climate, and to regard my boat, furniture bedding, clothing & library called mine, to be my personal property. My object is not to quit the field, I shall not take ship to be a native assistant, place at the mission with the rays - I love you & the cause I have served nearly seven years too well to quit it. but I think I can serve you better in such a sphere - An early answer is desired - Your unworthy missionary

John Brooks

Rev. J. S. Brooks
Mendi Mission
Aug 1/56
Rec'd Oct 18.

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Sea Coal Good Hope Station August 1866

Rev. George Whipple

Sir I have not had the pleasure of ever seeing the honered gentleman that I think duty calls me to address the providence of God has placed me here in this family where I was called up on to act as a Missionary tho I should not thought my self competent for so great a work but I think my self as useful as any of the Ladies since Mr Benton and Lady left this Station If I should tell you Sir Sir things that I do hear the gentlemen might think so to when Mr and Mrs Benton left this Station they made me Housekeeper gave me the Hole care of the Children When they came out of Chad I try to learn them to do work after the Civilize fashion take care of them

O Clothes set with them at table
learn them how to behave at table
ask a blessing and then return thanks
learn them to be teach them in Sabbath
& School take them in my room when
they are sick in short I am a mother
to them they come to me with all their
troubles could you see them sin shamely
you'd say what has God wrought

I first came to the Mission
when Miss Aldreth was here but was
not here when she left ~~here~~

I returned the same
month that the doctor and Mrs
Cole left here My helth is very
good so that I can work from twelve
to fourteen hours per day

not that I am boasting
but I should like to have the Committee
know that they have sent one man
here that is not fit to be here

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I rise only to speak of his treatment to me

When the doctor, and Mr Lee came from Jeffersonville ~~to see~~ he sent Mr Benton and no right to put a Negro Wench in Charge of the Children not that I had any thing against my character moral or religious only because he ~~and Mr~~ Mrs Lee were not fence he thought to destroy all of Mr Bentons plans When Mr Brookes sees so many he tried to find fault with every thing that I did till there was a fuss with him self and Lady about getting directly up from Prayers and whipping the boys he said that I looked at them order me out of the house called me all kinds of names that no Christian ought even to think of for a moment I refer to Mr Brookes for the truth of his statement

Mrs. Maria Locke
Good Hope Hall
and Mr Left Aug 5 Cleveland Ohio

If you should not worth the trouble to write to Pittsfield Mass to the Rev Russell Porter Pastor of the first Baptist Church or to Deacon Daniel Francis or to Rev Russell Harrison of Pittsfield if I am very sure there you might obtain any information you might wish that would enable the gentlemen to determine that I have always sustained a good character or to Mr Dwight Benton since the time I was a guest with me.

If this information is obtained I hope I may be permitted to learn it

Marinda C Locke formerly
Mr Marinda C Francisco
I am very respectfully
your obedient servant

Mrs. R. L. Leffler
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Good Hope Station W. A.
August 2nd 1856

Rev George Whipple

Esteemed Brother

I hardly know what to say relative to our Mission I certainly hope and trust she will soon arise and shine that she will soon be refined and seperated from all her dross. Brother Brooks has this Station in charge he performs his part nobly he is a devoted exemplary Christian A man of deep piety and worth. Miss Ann Pintashin a sister beloved a young lady of deep piety and Christian piety meekness. As for Dr Lee and his wife I cannot say any thing good of them — therefore I will say nothing about them to you, When I wrote to you about

ship Moore I did not have a Christian spirit and did not write in a Christian manner therefore I wished to have all go for naught that I wrote about her however it was all true. But I sat down to say that my wish and intention was if the Board willed to return to America next Spring and I should wish the consent of the Committee I shall regrett to leave the Mission field I love the work my heart will ever I trust be in it but Mr Whipple's circumstances are such that it is very unpleasant for me to remain here longer I would leave now if it were not for some things. I hope we may have the pleasure of soon welcoming a band of God chosen labourers to this field I often feel some of the symptoms that I did when I was here the first time, I am some inclined to bleat etc

My general health is quite good I can endure but little if I take responsibilities I and soon down my power of endurance seemes to have almost left me comparatively speaking. If there are more Missionaries I shall expect to leave here in the first Vessell that sails in the Spring.

Yours in Affliction
R. L. Pfeffer

P. S. Dear remember me to your family, also in your prayers. The Lord bless and direct you,

R. L. P.

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Copies of letter from Dr Lee & answers — in his palaver with his wife on his first coming from Mon

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Dear Brother Brooks

I feel sincerely sympathize with you, and when I left you could hardly repress the hasty thought which if expressed would perhaps have relieved you if carried out. from your very uneasy position. After the excitement of the past difficulties has gone off I find myself much the gainer and you in a much more enviable position than before. I am relieved of the cares of that Station which were so uncongenial to my feelings I am at liberty to pursue that line of duty which if I had your hearty cooperation would be pleasant to me viz. traveling and preaching, but what is much better than all, the very unpleasant affairs that have happened have opened the eyes of my wife in reference to her relation to me and she heartily confesses her wrong position and seems to see her duty to cooperate with me instead of drawing at the other end of the string. It is but natural that I should hope her repentance is sincere, and rejoice to know that at least there is at present a much better state of affairs than for a long time before. Am I not bettered? how your position is worse. You feel under obligation to uphold a course of policy in the government of that Station & family that your better judgment tell you is wrong. i.e. having hirelings over you. Thinston, you did not want Good Hope any more than I, but how will you get out of it? A peck of trouble awaits you too.

from your associations around you. from which it is difficult to extricate yourself, without at once bringing it upon you. Your mind is ill at ease under a sense of your conduct, and I say it in all kindness, that you have not the moral courage to shake off those galling bonds. I would to God you were blessed with it. as I then would perhaps have less cause for the step which you are aware I am about taking. Could we see eye to eye, and work harmoniously together, there would be but little necessity for either of us to resign. But you Bro Brooks whilst having much better opportunities to throw off petticoat government than I, seem much more closely bound by it than I ever will be. I do not upbraid you — no My Brother I have perhaps more glaring faults than you, but I can only cherish that friendship that openly and frankly tells a brother of his faults and seeks to bear his burdens. Nor Bro Brooks — do I write in this way to seek favors. you know me better than to suppose so. but it is because I love the mission and would by no means leave it could I see clearly a prospect of bettering its policy & practice which we both deplore. We could better let were you as willing to do it as you are desirous it should be done. Taking responsibilities is ever a thankless undertaking, but has accomplished more than all the deliberations of councils & committees ever will, in the salvation of the heathen. Should we be censured, it would be received on my part with a consciousness that I had done

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my duty, and a recall, would not lessen my reward in a future world. But I have said enough.

Ever yours in Christ. (signed) D J Lee.

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Good Hope Station. 7th August 1856

My dear Brother I thank you very much for your kind and timely sympathy. I have felt bowed under a burden too severe for me. for the last three days I have been but a broken reed unfit for any thing but I am not without hope.

My position is not what it was two weeks since. I now regard my connection with this Mission as a missionary limited and fast drawing to a close, when if the Executive Committee do not define my position and duties I shall have the privelege of doing so Myself either by entering the service of the Mission as a native assistant, or operating independent of the mission. I under these circumstances do not feel at liberty, to change the policy of the mission very materially independent of the Committee. This much I do feel at liberty to do & shall so far as health & grace allow follow out during the short time between us & the thirty first of Dec. next. first close the store, except paying hands on the last of each month & buying fowls, Rice & fish. 2nd keep at work as few men, as we can possibly get a long with. 3 be master in & out of the house, as Mrs Tefft will not take charge in the house. I do not blame Mrs Tefft so much for declining as she is intending to stop so short

a time here and Miss McIntosh is not fit for such a post. When you come down we will converse these matters more fully. I am My dear Brother

Affectionately yours

J S Brooks

Rev D. J. Lee.

My next letter was written on my arrival here containing nothing touching the question at issue.

Good Hope Mission Station Oct 27th 1856

J S Brooks. Sir. I am just coming into many of the secrets of your management here. among the rest is that agreement with George Caulker to pay him twenty two shillings & six pence a month & board him — you must have thought the mission flush of funds about that time. This is to inform you that Mr Burton made a written agreement to your knowledge, binding George Caulker to the mission for three years for his boarding and clothing after he stole the crackers you discharge him and hire him over again giving him a penalty in the way of an increase wages. You may think it right. I do not and will not be bound by any such agreement. I will send him up to you by the first opportunity for settlement. no news from America

David J Lee

Good Hope Mission Station Dec 1st 56

J. S. Brooks. Sir. I have just learned by a letter from Mr John Eggedis directed to me, that you have been appointed Financial agent of the Mission, and are authorized

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to draw bills of exchange for £100. "at intervals", I suppose during the present year. As there is great need of Money to pay off several persons whom I have discharged and for several other with whom I make a final settlement to day. I Must have Money without fail. Mr Eggedio also refuses to pay any Orders I may draw!!! (you can explain that part of the game) So it is however accordingly I request you to draw a bill of exchange for not less than £75. as you see the following items will amount to. in favor of Mr Eggedio, who promises to pay any orders you may draw! You will please sign the following orders and return them to me by the quickest possible time, as there is a vessel to leave for Freetown in a few days I may perhaps if you are prompt, get them to town by it; and as several persons are now in town awaiting for their Money, it would be wronging them, particularly your "unparalelled housekeeper," to keep them out of it when they have no other funds to use. Mr Eggedio, as I expected, never agreed to furnish money at 5 per cent, and of course refused to pay orders I sent him upon the strength of what you told us about his willingness. The arrangement of making you Financial agent I do not understand, as any letters you could have written to the Committee on the subject, Must have been sent by the same vessel that Mr Thompson went in, unless sent by mail, in order to have reached

them that Mr Tappan could write by the 18th of Sept. If so, and I do not see how it could be otherwise. I was still in town & you here waiting. My return to this place "that you might at once go up the Boom" so your letters to me signify - now, how does it come that you at the head of Boom never out of the way of all business transactions should be appointed Financial agent, and I, here at the port of shipment of all information, cannot have even my order answered. The Committee by my letters & by Mr. Thompson's & Miss Moore's return ~~to the~~ unless I have been deceived by your letters, expected you to return to the Boom when Mr Tappan wrote this appointment. I know you do not answer plain questions, but it is your duty to give me at least some ground of confidence in you. If you wish to do it, explain the above. I do not desire any particular agency, and have always shunned them, but I ask you is it doing my people justice to give them orders on you which I settle with them, in order that they may get an order on Mr Eggedio again, should we need provisions (as we now do) for some articles, must we send to Boom Falls to get an order on Eggedio for them?

Do not forget to let Mr Eggedio know about Cyprian's order which he has twice refused to pay, and I have again returned to him £15 Exchange - would cover it.

I leave Gogendy's order blank, as he may take some more goods - he is rebuilding the whole boat. I shall

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leave several others blank. Brass [illegible] done for some articles needed here as I do not know what they will cost. also Mr Jewett's. the amount of debt unknown. I will fill them out when you return them. I send this over land please answer without delay as I shall expect it. D. J. Lee.

(Addendum) The order in favor of myself is for cash which I have advanced post while you were here and post for medicals bills which I have collected since you left here and have paid out to the workmen. For mission purpose also for a carpet of our own which we have put on to the floor here. at £2 — Does your resignation go into effect Jan. 1st 1857? if so draw for the £100. at once so that I will not be left empty handed. — You refuse to allow the Kaw Mindi School to come to Mo Taffan Kondjah, will you render to me the care of those stations up the Boom when your resignation takes place — or was that resigning all a force! I have resolved not to let any natives have any more goods for the use of the mission at their out stations signed David J Lee

Mo Taffan House Dec. 3d 1856

My dear Sir. Yours of the 1st was handed me this evening In reply, I beg to say, that I know of no reason for the step the Executive Committee are supposed by you & Mr Eggidio to have taken in the appointment of myself to the agency & what is more. I think Mr — Eggidio is mistaken in the matter. I think that he has

merely received advices of letter of credit for the mission which I am authorized to draw in specified sums at specified times. This the Treasurer has twice done before. Once when Dr Cole was agent & once when Mr Tefft was agent. I have not deceived you in the matter of my resignation, nor in it being my wish to be here in preference to Good Hope. I know of no reason why Mr. Eggidio should refuse to pay your orders, aside from the supposition that he misunderstands Mr. Tappan's letter. I will write to Mr. Eggidio about Cyprian's order. I shall not relinquish the charge of the Boom until I receive from the Secretary of the Association Executive Committee, the acceptance of my resignation, or my dismission from their service. I should not do so, in justice to the cause or myself before. I think it sufficient to give a set of Bills of £75 & do so, & you can draw the same as & when you choose. I write in haste, will write more & soon about Kaw Mendi. Kind regards to Mrs Lee and please accept the same for yourself. Yours &c.

Rev Dr Lee.

John A Brooks

Mr Tappan House Dec 5th 1856

My dear Sir. When I last wrote you in answer to your request for my opinions in regard to the removal of Kaw Mendi school to Mokandjah I was under the impression that there was about

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therly children in the school and that a number of these were large enough to begin to learn some kind of work which owing to the circumstances surrounding us we cannot learn them. I was quite surprized to learn a short time since that there was only nine boarding scholars & but fifteen in all in the school.

The accommodations at Mokandjah are very poor, but if you are resolved not to continue the school, as I infer from your last, (that you are) & a better place cannot be found for them, I am willing that they should go to Mokandjah with the teacher & while I am here I will do the best I can for them. William would do better at Mokandjah than Mr Jewett I think though I presume he would rather be changed to a place that I have seen & heard of Mr Jewett I think he would do well. I think we should learn our boys some regular work & I should assist to provide for their doing so, so far as our circumstances will allow. What is the condition of the church at Kaw mudi? Are you intending to make any provission for it? are questions I often ask myself when thinking of Kaw mudi. I send you the canoe, as you requested by Bear hary. If you had kept it when it was last down as you wished I should have been astonished & pleased. We need a canoe here

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especially if we are to do much for Mokandjah. I should prefer the Flickinger (the one last raised) if not sold or bargained for. Yours &c.

Rev D J Lee M.D.

John S Brooks

Mt Tappan House 9th Dec 1856

My dear Sir. I have just received over land from Mongray a parcel of letters from Freetown containing two for you one for Mr Nathan & a paper for you. In this parcel I have a letter from Mr Whipple in which is the following passage viz. "Mr Tappan has written to Mr Eggidio today & will write to Mr Nathan saying that you are the only person at the mission authorized to make drafts for any amount on the Treasury of the A.M.A." In this letter I find a small slip of paper on which is written in Mr Tappan's hand the following "The treasurer has written to Mr Eggidio & to Mr Nathan to accept only Mr Brooks drafts or orders or his substitute he may appoint to act for him. [illegible] no drafts to a greater amount than £100. & at intervals of thirty days. Let the sight be third to fifty days the longest if possible 18th Sept. 1856." This is all in regard to the agency. I have He has received my resignation and says "take no step that looks like or towards a withdrawal from our mission." Speaking of what he wants to do for this station he writes "we intend to give you a christian family at the Boom Falls Station & a

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Christian home so long as you wanted it. "Mr Barton will go out in the first good opportunity after the 10th Oct." "I am corresponding with a good Bro. & sister with a view to sending them to your station". These are the items of news I have in a letter of three pages

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Yours in haste

Rev D. J. Lee, M.D. John S Brooks

Good Hope Mission Station Dec 13/56

J. S. Brooks The letters which Mr. Eyzydies received from Mr. Tappan by mail for you at the time he received the instructions which I wrote to you concerning your appointment, have not yet come to hand. He Eyzydies says he sent them on board the "Nancy", but does not say when or who to. I have written about them to him & made enquiry of Peters &c. but they are not to be found. only another specimen of Eyzydies carelessness. I was called from bed this morning to receive the papers & letters which arrived in the Emily. I took the liberty of opening your letters from the Committee as it was the only one therefrom I naturally infered it was on business. not a line to me. You may prepare a room for aunt Hannah, as I learn from another source she is coming. I would call your attention to your letter in the Oct "Missionary" about church fellowship at home Have you forgotten what you told us about your church difficulties in the U. states your many changes &c, &c. And do you remember how often you have said that acclimation affects the temperament & caused

morbid excitement. Oh Mr. Brooks is it possible we are going to have an other George Thompson letter written in the Mission? Do you not know that when you wrote that letter, the Decker Palaver was on hand at Kaw? Do for the sake of the mission, leave me to tell my own tale, about my part of the work when you know that what you are writing is just the contrary to what you tell me you have seen. But no more — I would never say a word about these things if they did not cut me to the heart by their inconsistency. Would to God that truth & honesty were the basis of operations here! "God will not prosper his own work in the hands of those who are not so." Look at the remark — "Our climate &c" and then look down the same paragraph just three lines and see what a flat contradiction. acclimation is becoming inured to the climate. — if "our climate &c" is so & so does it not produce a change in the whole man? How could you put so much contradiction in so short a space? Signed David J. Lee.

J. S. Brooks. As you "would desire to learn our Kaw Munda boys regular trades were they at Mokandjah" how many can you take for that purpose? Had you not better send that George of Mrs Fenimore's home & take one of our own boys. I think that would be but fair & right. an early answer to this is desired. No news from America. Signed David J. Lee.

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Mrs Lee's letter is without date Mr Brooks. It is not my intention to pick a quarrel with you or to elicit any reply, but deemed it my duty to give you a copy of what I had written to the Committee "I am aware that Mr Brooks stands high in the estimation of the Committee having learned it before leaving home which news gave us joy & finding him & mrs Tefft bereaved on our arrival, our sympathies were immediately enlisted in their favor but acquaintance with them, together with what we learned of their career in the mission, satisfied us that they are undermining dissembling characters which they have practised upon you, as well as us & all in the Mission, though some of our number have been so flattered to their faces (by word or letter) by them as to make them think that they were angels, while we had seen their deceptions and dishonest practices behind their back" ******** I have never visited Mowtapan but understand that in many respects it is another Kawmundi in point of management. This I know that Mr Brooks is as whimsical & changeable as possible, building castles to day & demolishing them to morrow. Making resolutions one hour & recalling & repenting of them the next, in fact he will agree to any thing to your face, as he says for peace sake, while behind your back he is feeding an under current which keeps up a continual bubble, my sympathies for him have degenerated into a loathsome contempt, I would not call upon or receive a personal

favor from him. He is naturally kind & sympathetic, but is devoid of moral courage & shrinks before the candid & honest man as the aspen trembles in the wind." Mr. Brooks, notwithstanding this is the estimate we put on you openly & above board, we hold it to be our bounden duty to administer to your temporal comfort as far as it lies in our power, without placing you under any obligation to us in any wise. Signed Martha C Lee

P.S. Mr Brooks, It grieves us to pen you as the committee these lines, & I assure you that it is not done for the purpose of injuring you & elevating ourselves, as I am satisfied that the purest road to honor is to elevate those around us. But as the mission is undergoing a scouring & you have indirectly, if not directly compelled us to act on the defensive for the welfare of the mission, we being at present in her service is the reason why we act thus. Signed

Martha C Lee

My next Dec 17th is purely a business letter. at the close of which I simply say "I have just received Mrs Lee's letter."

Rev S. Lee M.D. Mt Zion Dorse 18 Dec 1856

My dear Sir. I thank you much for your kindness in sending the letters & papers to me. I sent letters to you by the boys Hope last evening before gone with the parcels came. I start for Mr Randy today. I am sorry that my letter in the Missionary, which was not written for publication should grieve you so much. I think it was your opinion that the change Have Mendi, at the time it was written was for the better. It was mine the neither which was referred to in that letter gone. John S. Brooks.

Rev S. Lee

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Good Hope Mission Station Dec 22d 1856

J. S. Brooks Esq. your letters & orders were received on Saturday last and I immediately set W. H. Trucke to repairing the black Canoe, hereafter to be called Mr Logan — and for your use up there I am using the "Fleckinger" and the Olive Branch is in the Hull for repair — Had you allowed me to sell it when I could have done so we might have saved £40 but now I fear it is utterly worthless, being so badly eaten by worms. As to your orders I send you what I can — here follows the bill — This is all I have in the store of the articles and as I do not "lay aside goods for Good Hope & Mount Coffee" I always fill your orders when the goods are in the house; but you must remember that you have had since the 12th of Oct. almost £60 of goods, that swell an account together with what your "Wards" carried off and what I have paid for fish. Julia I send you a large portion, — have almost stripped the store of every thing! My reasons for not handing your orders to Nathan are these. 1st I have entirely closed all business transactions with him for reasons best known to him & of which he can give you as long account as it will be necessary to hear. Consequently I will not be a party in any dealings the Mission may have with him. 2nd you have the appointment of Agent & are the only person authorized to open & close accounts and as I cannot & must respectfully decline being your deputy I am not authorized to involve the A. M. A. in debt." 3d I have

received positive orders from Mr Whipple to do nothing that shall in any way make heavier the debts of the Mission. I am therefore forbidden to do it. 4th The policy of the Mission has not been changed, the Majority still govern, and Mrs Lee and myself both highly disapprove of your plans & policy up the Boom and shall not accordingly countenance you in them nor furnish you the Means to carry them out. I humbly pray God that an Independent, honest, Morally courageous, upright consistent christian Brother may be sent to that end of the work to right it up, curtail enormous expenditures, and reduce to order Chaos. I shall feel it a duty & a pleasure to Minister in any way I can to your personal comfort, and were it in our power you should have many nice things which distance now prevents us from sending. Though we may entertain the opinions expressed in Mrs Lee's letter, that shall not prevent us doing you good when in our power, thereby obeying the injunction "Do good to those who do you evil."

Signed David S. Lee.

Mo Tappan House 1st January 1857

Rev & dear Sir. I am happy to act on your suggestion to send down George to be sent to Town & take one of the Shaw Mendi boys. I am sorry that we are not able to instruct him as thoroughly as desirable, but will do what we can for him. Please send one of the best ones. I thank you and Mrs Lee very much for your kindness in sending the bread, cake, & bottle of jam. I received them all in excellent order, & they afforded me a right good Christmas

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supper as good eating could make it so. We have been having it excessively dry here until within the last week. The ground has been caked very hard & cracked very much. nights are cold - people have colds & fevers. Anderson has a christmas gift by his wife presenting him with a son. McCarthy was married to E. Bascome on the 27th of Dec. I write in haste which please excuse yours &c

Rev D J Lee D.D. John J Brooks

Good Hope Mission Station Jan 11th 1857

Rev John J Brooks - Mr Tappan Mission Station Boonpoo Sir - Little did I suppose when I left New York for this Mission - that I should find the kind of people here that I have, much less did I suppose that I should ever be reduced to the necessity of watching all their actions for fear their meanness would betray me into difficulties both here and with the Committee at home. Now this conduct never have come into my mind that I should have at any time to humbly beg at their hands for clothing to cover my nakedness. But strange as it is I have now to ask you - if it will suit your reverence to so condescend in your gracious benevolence, to allow me some money to purchase some clothes suitable for this cold weather. In vain have I argued the necessity of promptly drawing those bills of exchange, that I might pay the debts for which I stood responsible. I even wrote the form necessary for your signature by which the money could be had. but you *pivotally* declined to sign the orders

for bills which you had contracted during the reign of pillage & plunder at this station. Your foolish squeamishness had to be shown in a letter to Eyzidio, wherein you doubted your authority to draw bills at the same time sent instructions to Mr. Tappan that you had drawn them. Oh that consistency were an attribute of humanity! You knew when you sent the letter from Eyzidio to send all the Mission letters direct to you up the Boom post me, even though they were for me, they must pass your hands. Do not deny it, for I would not believe you if you should. Well - you knew that I was still without money & demands were being constantly made upon me for payment, yet you coolly refused to send my new Bills of exchange on others that I might get what you know I need. Shame! that you should be so spiteful. I have only to renew my entreaties for some clothes, I do not care if you never pay any of the debts of the Mission but I want some clothes, I literally shared with you of the piece of cloth I had, not knowing that Mr Burton had sent you clothing when he bought it for me. You have several cloth coats & I none. You have lately received clothes from New York while I have not a second pair of pants, nor shoes to cover my feet until yesterday. "Do Master Brooks" I beg you!!! do pity me!!! and send to Eyzidio correct bills & an order regularly drawn, that my necessities may be relieved! Have you no "feller feelink in your bosom" that you can be so cruel as to let me go without clothes I must beg you not to be so much scared by the war as

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to forget that you have the agency of the Finances. — I send you Moses Hunter in lieu of that boy you sent — he is at least 10 per cent better than George. I will also send all my boys to take care of you "if the chiefs do not protect you" from the war. Send over land immediately so that I may send to town I have no longer the means to keep up Mau mindi. What is to be done? ~~with~~ I At the end of this month I should have to close up. no missionaries are to come & Mr & Mrs Brainerd will not be here until March perhaps not at all. Nathan requested me to pay him that note of £92 & more on yesterday — What must I do? Have you not sent private orders to Mrs Locke for her pay? tell me as she holds a promissory note & can & has threatened to sue me if I go to town on it — I learn that you are preparing measuring the distance between Motappa & Mokandjah — what is the matter? I have returned a copy of this. Shall I send it to the Committee? I want you to tell me how Mr Ezy'dis got hold of that old letter from Mr Jappa — concerning the supposed bills of exchange which they thought I had drawn — the letter you will remember came to me by mail together with one from Mr Whipple apologizing for Mr Jappa's. you read the letter & I want you to tell me how it got from my table into Mr E's hands & was returned sealed (it came unsealed in an envelop from New York) with or inclosed

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in the letter without post mark you sent to Nathan for me. I boldly say that you or Mrs Tuffs or Mrs McIntosh I do not think the latter done it but its possible too, that letter from my rooms & gave it to Eggeldes. acknowledge it if you know any thing about it. silence about it will seal your guilt. Shame! that a man's private letters are clandestinely removed from his rooms & used against him!! be assured that that thing will come out. I again beg you for some money to buy clothes. Signed David J. Lee.

Mt Thompson House, 20th Jan 1857

My dear Sir Your of the 17th has just been received in reply I beg to say that I drew the bills of exchange as you requested. Sent them to Mr Eggeldes who again returned them to me. As soon as I received them I wrote to Mr Eggeldes begging him to pay your orders as I had before requested him to do. His neglecting to sign the orders had nothing to do with your orders not being answered as I requested Mr Eggeldes to accept yours. I did not doubt my privilege to draw bills but my exclusive right to do so. I have never ordered Mr Eggeldes to forward all the mission letters yours included directly to me or any one else to send my by Good Hope until yesterday. After learn from one to whom I have written letters that you opened & read them before handing them to the party whose exclusive right it was to break the seals

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I requested my letters to be sent direct to me. Please let me know the amount necessary to keep up Kaw Mendi & to whom you wish orders for goods & I shall be happy to draw you orders for that purpose. I herewith send you a set of bills to take up Mr Nathans demand against the mission. I have been to Mokondjah three times since I have been up & shall go again to morrow, the Lord willing on business of the mission. All I know about the letter of which you write is simply this. You received it as stated in your letter & allowed me to send it when I went to Freetown & requested you to let me take it with me to town & show the instructions it contain to Mr Eggidis which you let me do. After using it as you kindly allowed me it is my impression that I returned it to you at the time I gave you the other people papers on my leaving Good Hope. It is possible that I might have left it in Mr Eggidis counting rooms where I used it but I think not Mr E could tell you better. I am happy to write that all is quite here. The Limbawa difficulties are about to be settled rather is in process of a peaceable settlement. The Caulka difficulties do not & I hope will not disturb us. I am sad to learn that no missionaries are expected to accompany Mr & Mrs Burton & that they are not expected soon.

I am My dear sir

Ever obediently & faithfully yours

John J Brooks

Rev Dr Lee M.D.

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Rev. George W. Whipple

Cor. Sec. A. M. A.

Dear Brother

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Good Hope
Aug 12 1856
G. W. Whipple
Cor. Sec.

Since our return from Kent, I have visited Hau-mendi several times and have been endeavoring to right affairs once more. The Teacher, Mr. Daniel Decker, was tried and found guilty of an attempt to commit a rape upon one of the school girls. He, and his heart broken wife, were dismissed from the station and she sent to town. He still lingers about here, awaiting the return of the Consul, to whom he has appealed, to settle the "pallaver". In his stead I have placed Mr. George W. Jewett formerly a catechist in the Church Missionary society, who was dismissed for being in debt a small amount. His standing among them was high, no charges against him, but that of debt. He is a widdower, about 27 years of age, apparently a man of some talent. I have never heard him preach but those of our company who have, speak highly of him. I think him a good man, but not an extra teacher. I will proceed to a regular statement of the condition of that station.

There are at present 40 scholars in the school. 10 Girls 8 of them boarding pupils. about 28 of the boys are boarding in the Mission. I have just brought two boys to this station to give them trades, one a canoe builder & the other carpenter. There are but two grown girls left in the school

The whole of the girls there, are the most debased set of females I ever knew, even to the very least. and to save the boys, I shall be compelled to dismiss them all. I intended to do so when I last visited there, but my sympathies got the better of my judgement, and I allowed them to remain; but I have just received a letter from Mr. Jewett which settles the matter. These are the girls who were "trained" by one who had 15 years of Missionary experience. I should pity any others she may have the charge of when she becomes "more experienced". I much dislike this course, and I well know it will bring upon me a storm of wrath from some who are now in America, but what am I to do, shall we ruin the character of several more teachers, and have a fine sett of boys who are just arriving at that age when their evil natures struggle for the mastery — ruined forever. My judgement says no — It would be said by some do not be hasty — I would rather not do it at all, but I will be compelled to send back to heathendom a set of girls who would never at their age, known the vices they do, had it not been for their associations at the Mission. You may wonder why such a state of things exist — I blush to tell it, but injustice to yourself and others who have done so much for this Mission I tell, what I am prepared to give an author for. How could it be expected that chastity and purity would be found among them, when they were allowed to sleep in a piazza accessible at any time to who ever choose to raise a boot. There in a state of nudity, to be ravished by "naked theives" and the matter all covered up by the parties under the pretense that there

had been burglary committed, this and the disgusting familiarity they continually witnessed and the filthy conversation they heard among the missionaries sowed the seeds of vice in their minds, and now we are reaping the fruit. "Whatsoever a man sows that shall he reap again."

There are 6 or 8 boys there who should now be placed in a school where they could be prepared for teachers. They are learning rapidly and could I have them under my charge would endeavor to do something with them. To depend on Freetown for teachers is useless, for not one in fifty that we get from there should be allowed to go into our schools but we cannot help ourselves we must take such as we can get. Every time I have been to Kau-mendi I come away sick; the water we have to use is dark with the infusion of vegetable matter which is found in a decaying condition on the overflowed banks during the rainy season. However the health of the children is excellent and I did not see a sick person in the town. A decided improvement is manifest in the people they are much more industrious almost every family has a farm, and whereat thick growth of underwood came up to the village, the land is now cleared off and cassada cocoa, rice &c are growing. There are no fighting quarellsome people now left. I have driven them away and not a "palaver" of any kind has happened among our people for 4 months, except that of the Preacher & Teacher, whereas they used to occur every day almost. This has been brought about by a prompt and efficient action on my part when I first came into authority. You would no doubt have thought my conduct strange, but I thought it better than flogging women and men.

Hau-Mendi in reference to slavery occupies the same ground as the northern state of the union. The Mahomedans would feign impose a fugitive slave law on us. They have endeavored several times lately to make a disturbance with our people on account of their slaves. Only a few days ago Halifah sent some of his troops over to demand redress from one Daniel Banyan, a member of Hau-Mendi Church, who had felt taken care of two slaves from Bearma, and helped them on their journey by taking them over the river. They were afterward taken and were mean enough to betray him. He came to me in great trouble and asked me to "cut the palaver" I sent for the messengers, and told to go tell Halifah, that our town was a free town, that our people had a right to take whom they pleased into their houses, and no king in that country should dare to say who we should take over the river and who refuse. That when a stranger came to us, we did not ask him, are you Halifah's slave? but we were kind to all, Soosoo, Mandingo, bond and free, and that I wanted no more trouble from him about slavery. The messengers went to him and carried a false report. Just after they left I was called to the wharf to carry out my precept. There was a man tied by a rope around his neck to the seat of a canoe and marked with scars, where he had been flogged for refusing to come with those who had him away from his wife & children into perpetual slavery. I told his captors to loose him, that they could bring no slaves to that wharf. They loosed him, he jumped out and I told them he was now free, he could go where he pleased. Presently Halifah sent other messengers to me to enquire if I had called him a "vagabond, robber & blackguard" (where they learned that bad English I don't know) I told him to ask my interpreter. they & I reiterated what I said and they went home satisfied so ends slave palaver for the present. (on 5th page)

5th page. I come now to a subject, to which I wish the particular attention of the Executive committee directed. It is necessary for the accomplishment of any important purpose that the means used, and manner of using them, be adequate to the intended effect, and no great good result has ever been brought about by a disorganized, inharmonious and selfish company of missionaries. I fondly cherished the hope that when our company was reduced to five that we could surely unite upon some principles of action and hereafter pull sweetly together, but we are as far from such a result as ever. Bro. Brooks entertains the same views of the matter, but has taken rather a strange, but unblameable course, to bring about the desired object. He has handed in a resignation to take effect on the 1st of Jan. 56, provided the Committee do not do so and so. (I do not know the conditions). He now considers himself thereby prevented from doing anything himself, awaiting your action, for which he tells me he has waited these seven long years. I admire his patience and it would be well if I had some of it. But I am a different being, and cannot wear a cloak that belongs to another. To be honest and plain, the ladies belonging to our mission have not judgement nor stamina of character sufficient to be consulted in these matters, nor do either Mr. Brooks or I believe in women ruling either in politics or missions, yet they claim a voice in all our arrangements and the Committee sanctions it.

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There can then be no organization effected under present circumstances. consequently our position is an unenviable one. New Missionaries will arrive and find no plans of work laid out. and from their ignorance of the field be unable to lay out any themselves. The only authorities they will find in the mission are two ladies. Bro. Brooks does not deem it his duty to do any thing more than to try to close up all the trading business, shut the stores and reduce the number of workmen. I and Mrs Lee have no station of our own. as the rest of the company have kindly taken this off our hands. This leaves us thoroughly disorganized and urges upon us the necessity of doing something. Bro. Brooks has marked out his course and I must lay down mine; but before I state it I would remark that after my return from town, I made application for the privilege of opening a station on Plantain Island, which was very favorably received by Mr. Caulker and he has promised to go and measure off the ground when he will set his price for it; illness prevents his doing any thing at present. Were there any authority for my so doing, I would proceed to open a station there if it could be procured at a reasonable price. But a different plan is the only one I see plain to my mind. It is the to state to the Committee what I consider to be the true policy of this mission, and then if not approved of I will be compelled to withdraw. The following is the plan.

1st. The Ordained Ministers, Physicians, and Male Teachers, by appointment of the Committee, shall constitute the local Committee, to enact rules, open & close stations out stations & schools, to employ all native assistant teachers, ~~Teachers~~ Visitors, and to assign to the Female members of the Mission their part of the labor.

2d. All rules & regulations enacted by a two third vote of such

local Committe shall go into opperation at such time as they may designate and continue their validity until repealed by the Executive Committe, or by a two thirds vote of the Local Committe.

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3rd. No Single Female Assistant should be sent to the Mission.

4th. The Mission should at once discontinue all trading and store keeping. Factories being now sufficiently numerous to afford opportunities to pay the workmen by orders. Only such Supplies as are needed for the Mission families should be kept at the General Store.

5th. The giving of presents of any and all kinds should be at once discontinued. Where a free Salvation could not be preached and its ambassadors travel with out giving presents, they should not go. Where Schools could only be opened by presents to the recipient of such favors, none should be commenced. Paying people to be saved, is blinding their eyes that they may fall into receive.

6th. No rent should be paid for occupying any location; if a station could not be opened by at once paying for a perpetual claim on the premises, none should be opened.

7th. No scholars should be received into the boarding schools but such as are to be trained for teachers, and their number limited to 10 of each sex. Care & judgement should be exercised in their selection with such object in view.

8th. No Pupils should be permitted to attend the out schools but such as are clothed by their parents, are regular in their attendance, and who contribute something toward the support of the schools.

9th. All school & meeting Houses, should hereafter be built & repaired by the people. & when they neglect to do so, should be abandoned.

No doubt the Committee will think the foregoing much in advance of the state of civilization among these people. but let me inform you that they are in advance, in general business, of the present opinions entertained by the Committee concerning them; and are ready for such steps. I will not weary you with any cogitations on the matter & simply say if those who are sent here as Missionaries, have not moral courage to keep ahead of the customs of the heathen, they better stay at home. I think all that is, the Male Brethren including Mr. Burton fully accord in my sentiments.

I would add several more items which are absolutely essential to the peace and harmony of the mission.

10th But one family should be sent to any one station & none but families should be sent, i.e. for the purpose of superintending. And each Missionary should have a specified sallary for themselves & an amount allowed for the support of the boarding schools of each station. The present plan would not be endured by any well bred & intelligent family. I will not go into items in this particular.

11th No native assistant should have charge of any part of the work of a mission who is not responsible to the Missionary who may be there.

These are my views of a plan of operations for this Mission more might be said, but I forebear. If the 1st, 4th & 5th & 10th are not adopted, or something else as good, I shall withdraw from my connection with the Mission. As to a general superintendant I have no objections to Bro. Brooks being appointed, but could not conscientiously fill such a post. Bro. B. is now up the Boom all are well at present. I shall go on with the Plantain Island Mallaner, but shall not pay any thing until I hear from the Committee.

Your Obedient Servant in Christ

David J. Lee.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Fairtown Aug. 14. 1856

Mr Lewis Tappan

Dear Sir inclosed I send you for the Kansas Mission four dollars collected in Mr Duncans Society

Yrs &c Benjamin Buel.

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Kansas

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Seven Mile August 16/53

Mr Lewis Tappan esq

Dear Sir, In haste I take up my pen to fulfill my promise to you.

I have been (& expect to be for some weeks yet) from home nearly all the time for two months past.

I am visiting the different congregations of this section of country of our Zion, presenting to the people the claims of the missionary enterprise.

I have secured by Note, & in Cash $2800-00. some of which is not payable till next year, & the year after.

It is lamentable that Christians are so slow to see their duty in giving to this great, & good enterprise.

A great work yet remains to be done at home to carry on energetically missionary operations abroad

I wrote to Mr Whipple a couple weeks since requesting him to inform me whether your ass. would send a company to Africa the coming fall, and when an opportunity to go would offer- We do not expect however to receive this information from him before he knows himself- We would like to start in about six weeks if & if.

The present arrangement is for Dr Witt & Lady, & Mr Bilhimer to go for certain, & me go with them if Mrs W's health permits.

Her health at present is not so good as it was some weeks since

My general health is improving, tho I suffer a good deal with Rheumatism at times,- Sometimes I cannot be on my feet long enough to lecture, without a table or something

of the time to lean against. So far as my own health is concerned however I am quite ready to go back to Africa- I can make all necessary arrangements as to the keeping of my children if we go.

When I first came home this was a difficulty- Changes have taken place.

I have entire confidence in God that He will remove all difficulties out of the way, if He wishes us in Africa

I cannot but Praise my Father in Heaven for the grace He has given us to be willing to go, & yet content to stay if He wills it- The grace to walk by Faith is a precious grace indeed.

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✓ D. K. Flickinger
16 Aug 1856

May the great head of the Church raise up others to take their places,

Africa, injured, down trodden Africa, when will thy sons & daughters enjoy the light of the Gospel,

"O Lord send out thy light & truth"

Remember me kindly to all the brethren of the Rooms

Very truly yours
D. K. Flickinger

Lewis Tappan esq
48 Beekman st
N. Y.

w Shepherd & Dr Whittle
[illegible]

Rev J. H. Dodge
Wenham Mass
Aug 16/55,

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Wenham, Essex Co. Mass. Aug. 16. 1856.

Rev. Mr. Whipple.

Dear Sir.

Your kind letter of July 21. was duly recd. Perhaps you hv expected to hear from me again ere this, & especially as I hv now changed my Post office address as above. Wenham is, as you may recollect, my native place. Letters directed here wd reach me in a few days even if I were absent, as my folks wd forward them to me.

Since th reception of your letter I hv been quite busy in connection with th closing duties & exercises of our term. No doubt you hv seen a notice of th Anniversary. After packing up & sending home my things I went to Amherst & attended th College Commencement. Had th pleasure of meeting about twenty of my college classmates. Two members of th last graduating class & one of th present Senior class of th college hv deceased within a few weeks. Th last named died day after Commencement. Mrs Waits' health is quite good. I returned home last night. — You were very kind to answer my questions so fully. If you desire th "Herald" before I come on with my things I will forward them to your order.

With regard to ordination, I hv not yet seen my minister but as his health is much improved it is probable it will take place here a few weeks hence. Will your duties allow of your being present?

In a former letter I expressed th intention of sending you a catalogue of my library for th purpose of obtaining from you suggestions as to what books to take, but as your hands are full of labor, & as Mr. Thompson has given me valuable hints on th subject, I think I will not send th catalogue, at least for th present.

I ho a few questions to present at this time.

Do your missionaries on going to Africa need to take with them a passport? If so, please send me th necy directions for obtaining th same.

In alluding to th matter of sailing I ho taken it for granted that it wd be from New York, but as some of th missionaries to go belong in Mass. it has occurred to me that possibly th vessel wd sail from Boston. Will Mr. Winship be able to go this season? and will Mr. Miles return to Africa at th same time, & Mrs. M. with him? When & where will th meeting of your Board of Missions be held this season?

What sort of boxes are considered best for packing goods for Africa? — I omitted above to ask you for th address of Mr. & Mrs. Miles. If anything definite is now known with regard to th time of sailing please inform me. As I am now separated from th Seminary I shall miss th periodicals of th Am. Miss Asso. If you will forward to me th Am. Miss (paper) beginning with Aug. I will make it right when I see you. Was very sorry to notice th death of Mrs. Brooks. May th bereaved husband be sustained!

It is my purpose to spend a few weeks at home engaged partly in mental & partly manual labor. I will not trouble further now only to ask a continued interest in your prayers.

Very truly

Yours,

John H. Lodge.

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Rev. M. Officer Freetown 16th, 53

Freetown Aug 16/53

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Dear bro. Whipple

Your kind letter of the 27th of June deserves an immediate and tender reply. Indeed my feelings are such as to allow me to speak tenderly to you, but my situation is not such as to allow such expressions of encouragement as I would gladly make.

I can say but little, for I do not know what to say.

From your letter however I am led to think that you suppose the chief difficulty in my case to be with bro. Thompson. So far as my disappointment relates to the natural advantages of the country and character of the people I am at ease with him, but we have never had any sharp dispute even about that. I have only expressed my opinions of the people and of

the country so far as I have seen it and he has retained his position and far different opinion and, perhaps, expressed it.

It is proper—perhaps necessary—to say that in plan of labor I have been opposed chiefly by Dr. Cole—and his conduct has led to an unpleasant dispute. It seemed to me that I could propose to do nothing but he would at once object. I wanted to see more of the country but soon found that he wished to do the exploring himself and supposed that his duty as hunter as declared in the instructions from the Committee included that. I had no more to say on that point. I thought that since the inclination of others was to explore I would commence the study of the Nennii language. I was opposed here by the same person and with equal determination. I need say more. She and I cannot agree. I thought the best

Since by Memorandum I have learned that he has some messages from Friends with very strong wishes to return and explain at the Department. I have no more to say.

I have all along told Dr. Cole that I will help these men the best I can.

were much under his influence at that time, I therefore chose to let them pursue their own course while I could seek something to do, and wait further developments.

I thank you for your kind advice. I receive it as from an elder and true brother.

I think you over estimate my judgement Still I. even more than they have been underrated at the Mission.

I have read Bro. Brooks letter to you and have no objections to what he has ~~said~~ about me. It is true as he says that I have seen none of the country except a little in the vicinity of the Mission. I tried to see more - and was prevented by the Company - So that, so far as I am concerned, there was at that time cause for discouragement if not in the country from actual sight of it - it was from want of that sight. Besides I saw others of our entire company who had a very different idea from Brooks of the prospect of the interior movements.

But I am tired of this talk. It spends time and wastes paper.

I have not changed, I cannot yet decide to remain long in connection with some company here. It is no one thing that

I have all along told you I will follow the lines set by the Church in this matter of staying or not

prevents me from coming to that decision — At present the empirical state of the people — the natural disadvantages of the country — (that I have been the effects of our company as a company — and — since our unfortunate disagreement at the Rapids — the unpleasant feelings existing between some of us, are all considerations with me. And there is the probability that I can labor elsewhere with more success — must also be considered — justice to the whole cause of Religion — of Mormons — requires us to examine the various points or fields before we persons to settling at any one. I thought I had done this before coming here but I was mistaken in the conditions — and I must look again I cannot therefore my dear brother say that I will continue. I can endure some unpleasant things at a place where I believe that duty calls me — but I cannot remain where I believe I cannot do as much good as I could at other, although there may be there at the place whose society and co-labor are desirable indeed — I think that what little has resulted from my visit to the Yankee land of New-York may be evidence to you if you need any that I intended to make the best of my home. And this reminds me that if others have been disappointed in their hopes of me I am not unprepared to realize their feelings.

Now my dear brother I have made my sentiments known to you — I have set forth the reasons which influence my decision — I have given you the facts — I have made no exertion to influence your decision — I have left the matter with you — I have left it with the Lord — I have left it with my brethren — I have left it with my friends — I have left it with my family — I have left it with myself — I have left it with my conscience — I have left it with my God — I have left it with my Saviour — I have left it with my Holy Spirit — I have left it with my Father — I have left it with my Mother — I have left it with my Sister — I have left it with my Brother — I have left it with my Wife — I have left it with my Children — I have left it with my Friends — I have left it with my Enemies — I have left it with my Foes — I have left it with my Rivals — I have left it with my Competitors — I have left it with my Opponents — I have left it with my Adversaries — I have left it with my Antagonists — I have left it with my Opponents — I have left it with my Rivals — I have left it with my Friends — I have left it with my

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Boom Falls Station. Boompey
Mt Tappan 16 Aug 1858

Rev. Geo. Whipple. Cor. Sec.
of the A. M. A. 148 Beekman St. N.Y.

My dear Brother.

I take much pleasure in writing from my dear and dear home and little ones & native associates who make my heart glad that I ever came to Africa. Though the circumstances connected with this portion of our field of Missionary effort distress me sore, yet the fruit of past effort showing fair buds of hope of future success that I joy and rejoice in Him on whom all success depends. I find the Schools in as good a condition as I could expect the place though neglected in many respects is in as good condition as I had hoped to find it. Mr. Pitt, & Mr. W.B. Tucker have not wholly agreed during my absence. Mr. Tucker has been too strict for Mr. Pitt. So he left the Mt Tappan house & occupies a country house. The matter has been settled satisfactorily to both sides. The main difficulty arose in a want of confidence in Mrs. Pitt, in which I have participated I am not satisfied that she is not trust-worthy but she seems to be too free with another's effects intrusted to her care. This is the worst I am prepared to say after the investigation of the matter we have had. I am much pleased with most of Mr Tuckers conduct during my absence. He has aimed bright action, & has shown himself worthy of trust. So has Mr. Bennett (Carpenter and James Barnett a faithful apprentice to the same trade. Mr. Pitt has done well as I expected. He would do best under a Missionary from Abroad.

I am grieved that our little flock are without Female care & influence. Strange & dark still remains that Providence which deprived them of the labours of my dear wife

W. & M. ARCHIVES
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WILLIAMSBURG VIRGINIA

Providence though often [illegible] undesirable to the mind are rendered bright, precious, and desirable by the Lord inspired of faith and Christian hope. I know God [illegible] & will glorify himself in providence to which I can & hope ever to give a hearty Amen.

Dear Brother, I want to spend a day with you in the Room I want to talk much with you, on several subjects. Since I last wrote you, tendering my resignation to the Ex. Com. my thoughts have been much on the subject of my withdrawal, and my future plan of effort. As I cannot talk with you you will indulge me with the reading of a few my thoughts in connection with these subjects

You have been, for some 5 or 6 years, aware of my differing with my associates & the Committee on the question of Mission Stores & trading. 4 years ago you begged me to yield this point which I did & have done till now. Yet I feel & am certain as experience can make it appear, that it is a wrong policy - in direct violation of the spirit of Christian missions, therefore the blessing of God cannot attend it. Neither do I believe that a Missionary Effort can be successfull where a third of the attention of its agents are engrossed in trade. You are aware of the fact also, that I have for a long time felt that the policy of the Mission in the matter of Schools was bad. Experience has taught us all or at least we should have learn by the experience we have had that the education of heathen children is not the way to secure a native Ministry even with our the teaching & examples of the Bible. We have educated & sent off from our School a large number & only one is fit for our work of teaching or preaching & but three are trust worthy - What does such lessons as these teach us? is an inquiry we cannot bosoom settle in our minds. I am satisfied that the School is not the instrumentality we most need

I see in all this the certain marks of error & by comparing it with the plan inspired I know it to be what it seems.

As you have been acquainted with my views & in regard to the government of your Missions both as relates to governing the people or towns in which we are located, & the government of ourselves - since 1832 I have desired a change & felt that we must have a change to save our Mission, I feel now. yes I am certain that the only way you can save your Mission now is to act promptly & do your duty in respect to the government of your Missions. So far as the government of the people is concerned I am of opinion that we should not interfere further than use our influence to secure justice & judgment to the poor & oppressed. As to the government of Missionaries you are familiar with my views.

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The time has come when we should bestir ourselves to rescue our Mission from the hands of the waster, and restore to her the health and thrift resulting from the New Testament policy of Missions. What that policy is, it would be folly in me to attempt to decide or suppose I could instruct you in the principles on which it is based, yet it may not be improper for me to state my views on those points I regard as vital to the well being of our Mission.

The gospel Minister's mission to the heathen as well as christian lands, yea to the heathen especially is "to preach" "to teach" with the living voice. By the "foolishness of preaching" is he to accomplish his mission. Other instrumentalities are to be used by other Christian men. but the Minister of Christ is to confine himself to these, "not entangling himself with the affairs of this life that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier" or preacher of the gospel. Here then is the highest

and best of all reasons why the Missionary should confine himself to the Saviour's one idea policy. To please Christ should be everything. Now what am I to teach, rather what am I to teach? Our original commission is as full as Jesus wanted it should be. "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." "Preach the gospel to every creature" "Thus it is written & thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise again from the dead the third day, that repentance & remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations". This is comprehensive & full, clear as light, direct & simple as a commission can be.

Lay by the side of this our Mission policy. Our first & heaviest blow has been aimed to the high branches of heathenism. We have spent a fortune in trying to give them the fruits of Christianity before they have gathered the root or tree to produce it. To introduce the arts & learning of Christian civilization, before the Gospel is reversing the order of nature, setting the effect before the existence of the cause. So long as we follow this reversed order we shall have a reversed consequence, the burden of supporting our examples & exotic civilization, which in the natural & normal order be a self supporting spontaneous growth. This is so obvious that I wonder that we have been so long content in carrying out such a policy. We must, by intangling ourselves with these burdens grieve him who hath chosen us. We show a want of confidence in the policy he has ~~instituted~~ given us. A trust in our own wisdom which should be given to Christ alone. You may not be aware that we have been so much fettered as I seem to suppose. But be assured that the chief the best of our time health life & money has been spent on these secondary objects of Christian benevolence. While

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[illegible] cast lines of Missionary effort & at home its sacred commission risen Saviour, "go preach," has received but a very [illegible] of form [illegible]. We have been compelled to this policy. When first I came here New Mexico was crushed so far as its missionary character was concerned, under the weight of care, labour, and expence of the support & Education of nearly 100 Children besides a store which exchanges for native produce & labour on the principles of the most extensive & lucrative order of barter over 5000 $ worth of goods - & a farm which employed from 20 to 30 men. No part of this work dare we intrust to native help. The store in none of its departments could we trust. We by or more in all the large number depending on us. Not a member of church or School has the confidence of the Missionaries or has had up to this time. So that any portion of this trading & Store keeping could be entrusted. When excepting two or three young men I have had the pleasure of trusting with much of my own business for the last three years.

This burden we have not been able to throw off ourselves for want of agreement in our views in relation to these subjects. And those of us who would rejoice to do so we have not been permitted to act on these points as we would on account of the support our Com. have given to the policy of our indirect effort to Christianize this people - pardon me, Dear Brother I have no reflections to make or am I in the least offended by the course our Com. have pursued. They were democratic & adopted the greater number to rule.

On the democratic policy of our Mission I also differ, but this point it would be useless for me to discuss - or give the grounds of my difference in opinion. Yet I will simply say that the Episcopal mode of governing their Missions or a modification of it like that adopted by the Wesleyans of England is by far the best policy in my opinion.

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Pardon me for going one step further. I feel quite certain that you will yet see it your duty to take the responsibility to give your Mission a policy, or basis of government, emanating from the Com., making important appointments yourself. Do you not see the necessity of this now strongly marked, in the change of Missionaries by death and removals? If this is all left to us, it must be as precarious as health, as subject to change as the seasons, and as inefficient and costly to the cause of Christ as fashion.

If I be asked if I would give no attention to education? I answer Just so far as I could without interfering with the duties of preaching the gospel. In this I would be guided by providence. If converts called for schools made an effort to get them themselves I would stand by them plead their cause, encourage & support them with all my influence. I would recommend the taking of one three or five children in to mission families where it could be done without crippling the grand object of mission.

Am I asked if I would give no attention to trade? I answer No more than is absolutely necessary to secure food & raiment. No more than would turn my hand in a pasture in America. Would we reform trade, the field is open. The manner of cultivating it would in our God given mission "Go Preach".

Am I asked if I would neglect the government of the people in our town? Christ will answer "My king dom is not of this world" "Who made me a judge & divider over you." "Go teach to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded" The faithful discharge of this duty is all I would do in the government of any but my own family & the church. Preach the gospel and these fruits will appear in their due order & time, for he is faithful that hath promised.

Am I asked if I would neglect trades & agriculture? I answer that my command is Preach the gospel, Art & Science are fruits of

Christian civilization which owes its existence to preaching the gospel. If my heart was bent on introducing the arts & sciences of our own dear country I would shake off all fetters and in obedience to the divine & all wise all sufficient commission "go Preach".

The two policies are before my mind in this light. The policy of our Mission is unauthorized, unnatural, therefore unreasonable, expensive, ineffective, all unchristian. Making our converts circumstantially religious, effectually crushing all spirit of progress & reform. We doing for them what they ought to do for themselves, the streams of life & progress become clogged by our ill timed efforts & stagnating bring a second heathenism, a little more refined but as vile and more incurable than the first. The policy of Jesus our risen Saviour is simple, direct, God appointed, accompanied by a blessing & promise of success. Therefore is not only cheap but self sustaining yea remunerative in many ways. Awakes to life the spirit of progress calls out every faculty to sanctify & employ it, making the converts to Christ, such for all circumstances. If I seem more "zealous" than "wise" in this matter pray, forgive me.

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In my last I made the remark that if my [illegible] approval take a teachers situation under some one of your Missionaries, I would do so rather than quit the field for then I could have much time to do from "door to door" preaching. But I have thought more on this subject since & feel that my choice will be to go indeed and preach. I would go without scrip, or purse on the close of my connection with you could I do so without any aid from another. Such are the difficulties of traveling & limited knowledge of the language spoken. I must have natives associated with me. The question of travel I could dismiss, for I can forego conveniences & beg my way from place to place when necessary to go abroad. But how to get along without a teacher I cannot now contrive. This may compell me to

make a School which I should otherwise exceedingly regret to do.

You will please excuse me if I add a few figures to show the comparative cost of the two policies referred to in the foregoing - The cost of your Missions here you know, now it cannot be less than 10,000 $ a year. To enter upon the work as a preacher of the gospel 250 $ would support a single man in this country if he was not obliged to travel 300, or 350 would be sufficient for a small family not including travelling. If a man was obliged to keep a boat & 5 hands to propel it it would require 600, or 650, to meet the expence - A convenient house for such a plan of labour would cost from 400, to 8 hundred dollars. The present cost of our mission would be equal to the support of ten missionary families on a salary of 650, a year & build four houses costing 875 $ each. There is in this estimate no provision for outfit travelling from their homes to their fields of labor, nor for freight of boats. But the g[illegible] boats provided for is double what it should be which would make a difference of 1,500, $ which would in part meet that out lay.

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I will [illegible]tion one thing more. You are aware of my feeling on the question of my qualification for Missionary work. I write to you freely because you understand those feelings & considerations which lead me to return to Africa & now make me content to labour against all the disadvantages of a want of qualification - Circumstances have been such as to seem at least to compell me to occupy positions and act such parts in connection with this mission for which I am utterly unequal. You have had many proofs of this but not one that has not filled me with shame & confusion before it was evident to you. I often feel as if I could not live in circumstances so inferior, and besides a question whether it be right for me to occupy positions for which I am so unquestionably unfit which you would be compelled to fill with a better if I was out of the way. While I expect soon to be no longer connected with your Mission in charge any part of your work I hope to remain & by to be regarded & remembered in your prayers as devoted & faithful in the Service of African Salvation.

Unworthy your Missionary John L. Brooks

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Mr William Pitt

My dear Sir,

In taking leave of you I feel it my duty to give you a few words of instructions in regard to the part I expect you to act during my absence. In the first place it will be well for me to remark that our Mission has resolved on a change of its policy in some very important points. The first and great and effulgent many labor is to give the Gospel to the Heathen, this then you should constantly bear in mind in all your duties. Do nothing without the great object in view. Do nothing in a manner that will not lead to forward this chief end of your vocation whether in the School in the native Towns, about the Mission, in family worship at the Mission House evening meeting, on the Sabbath and in the exercises of Public worship at your family altar in private every where at all times and under all circumstances keep first & foremost in your mind the salvation of the Heathen. And do all things with reference to their conversion. Let not a day pass dismiss none of your Schools close no meeting till you are satisfied that something has been gained for Christ. Remember well on whom we all depend for success Come from the mercy seat to each and all your duties

All unnecessary labors such as loading. Mechanical and farm labors are to be avoided that we may please him who hath

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chosen us to labor in his vineyard. You will be expected to keep yourself free from all these only so far as they are necessary for present comfort. for today

In the matter of giving presents I would say let your rule be not to give. for we are commanded to go without "gold or silver." Master Christ, our example in this as in every thing else Yet there are some circumstances in which it seems necessary to give, so Christ gave tribute when demanded. He commanded to give to whom it is due. I have noticed that the Natives gave but little and seldom, Try in this matter to make the Natives feel that we are not indebted to them but they to us Do all you can to break up this habit. I wish you to do all you can to strengthen the hands of those who labor with you. Avoid difficulty Try to cultivate good feelings you more fellowship & love. Be agreed act and cling together. In this way exemplify the brotherly love and peace of the Gospel of our Lord. Labor cheerfully. so much so that the Natives may take notice of it and be compelled to mark your earnestness and love for the cause of Christ This will endear you the more to them and at the same time compell them to highly esteem the cause in which you are engaged.

Avoid all difficulty with the Natives. Remember that in hating you they will be lead to hate Christ in being bitter or angry toward you they become so

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towards Christ and the religion you profess. They may hate the Murray man and not hate the Moran because both are of the Devil not so with the Christian, because Christ is not of the world. Seek then to lead a quiet life towards them that are without.

You will be for some time associated with Mr Tucker who will have charge in connection with Mr Barnett of the Mission family, store farm and other labor excepting your own special charge and that of the girls from 12 to 4 o'clock (Saturday & Sundays excepted) when your wife will have the care of them at sewing - perhaps I should except one or two girls on washing & ironing days. I would recommend to you to take a small supply once a month of such things as you may need during the month to purchase the articles of food necessary for your family. You can easily make out a list of these and have it filled out at once as well as come daily for things for the day. You will not fail to see the great advantages of this place - both in the matter of keeping accounts and in the saving of time in getting & giving out the goods you need - You will draw goods from the store at a discount of one fifth from the retail prices

I shall expect your wife to be as faithful as she can well be, in instructing and keeping tidy the children. She will consult Mr Tucker in the matter of making new garments for the children. For my own part I like

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the Good Hope Style of dress and would see recommend that that be adopted here. As soon as you can you will rig them out with three changes each. Keep well mended their old Clothes. I should choose to have the sewing done in the room opposite of mine. If you need a little girl to care for your babe during sewing you can have one but will please give it to them alternatively. As to your work you will be expected to keep open the schools now under your care as before. If however you see the interest flag in the School, the people taking away the children so that your number is quite too small be not discouraged by this, but turn the battle to the gate, in earnest. Attack your enemy and the enemy of Christ by preaching the Gospel. Take your Bible, go to the houses kitchens farms or elsewhere where you can find one two or more precious souls & tell them the simple story of the cross. I would not advise you to labor too hard for the Schools to keep them filled till they have had effort enough on this point to desire Schools more. Give them the Gospel. At the same be faithful to the few who do come to the School, don't neglect even one who is regular in attending the School. Attend to his recitations, while he is committing his task preach the Gospel at the next door to all that will hear. In this be not harsh, but earnest & faithful winning and affectionate in your manner. Remember that Christ

denunciations are but few while his Affectionate invitations are many

I expect Mr Bennett will, in a few weeks join you when I shall remove Mr Tucker, and place Mr Bennett in his sphere of duties excepting the School which I shall provide for either by placing Mrs Pitt in it or dispensing with one of the out Schools & giving it to you

Do all you can to sustain Meetings at Mr Glass Sunburen and at any other places you can conveniently. You need not limit Meetings to the Sabbath You could take any other day if you chose to hold a Meeting at any other Town.

You will please secure help for yourself to propell your canoe, You can draw from the store two bars a month from the date of this for your boys services in paddling your Canoe

With my prayers for Gods blessing to rest upon you in giving grace, wisdom & success to your every effort

I remain my dear Sir
Affly & truly Yours
Thos Bowles

Good Hope House
Nov 18 1856
Mr Griffin House

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Good Hope 22 Nov - I have taken the liberty of tarrying a certain with a copy of my last instructions to Mr. Pitt. That you may know that I not only feel awake on the subject of a change of policy but feel that the time has come to make such a change, I do not however intend to do act as to make it difficult for those who are then

responsibilities and labours of this or any other portion of our fields to open the stores again and enter upon the old policy.

Let me ask why have we thus long followed out the policy of other bodies in the place of preaching the Gospel and giving so much time to Mechanics & farming? I answer that we have hopes of doing as Bauman and Missionary life. We saw death cutting down our Missionaries so fast that we felt called upon to raise up a band of Missionaries by the help of schools, commencing this work we soon became interested & that interest sustained by the love of children & hope of success, animated and spurred by certain marks of interest on the part of both children and parents and a commendable progress lead us step by step to trust in an arm of flesh. Once launched we was determined to succeed, our schools growing to a considerable size compelled us to do this place we then saw the necessity of collecting a congregation of heathen around us besides our schools, to do this we gave work to a large number of men. This turned our schools in giving part from the farm. Thus in setting up our own standard instead of Christ's, in stead of preaching our primary work and let the school follow as a result or a secondary interest depending on the primary for all real success and interest, we have chosen our own way and followed it far too long.

Look at the cost, not less than 100,000 has been spent on our hopes of raising up native ministry from children taken from the heathen places and school them & then Man fashion without religion. Besides this much life & health have been expended this I know not how to estimate. Again the time of all your Mission agents for for the last 14 years. Look at our hopes in the past, derivations, professions & commendable progress, baptisms &c. &c. Oh! how fondly we hoped

yea we rejoices over our hopes but they have not been an anchor to our souls nor the seal of our mission for we left our anchorage & sailed far beyond the bay of duty & promise, & we find no something. Though we travel far & search diligently we cannot find the objects of our hopes. The limited number I have before mentioned are all we have left us of this extensive & expensive labour. But you ever hear of such a policy being adopted in our frontier lands to raise up candidates for the Ministry. Would the Rev. &c. take an equal number of pagan unconverted, ignorant, & well grounded & undertake to educate them together with the hope of their conversion to Christ & enter into the Ministry. Would they take a score of heathen children & follow out the same policy & would the Church be satisfied with such a policy? What is there so pure in heathenism, so holy in barbarians, so advantageous in education as existing in heathen lands - or in the subjects there also, their relation to the fall - to the Great Redeemer - to the degradation influences of heathenism & ignorance existing on a thousand successive generations that such a policy should be more fit for heathen lands than for our Christian homes where the light of the gospel shines clear as steady as the day. Christ's plan is for all lands, for all circumstances. The very same reasons why you would not go for such a policy in America are those of strong force in our circumstances, that all arguments in favour of such schools are of those the value upon that they are but the same is also true with our above keeping policy.

These views have been growing upon me since I began to question the policy of our mission & communicate them upon some fine years ago. Since my plans & views have been so broken I have given double attention to these things. Views are not new views to you they are stronger than usual to me but I will not give you these strong facts but put them as important as I do.

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My visits to the Bonny has favoured me with some information on the question politics which you may feel interested enough in to desire it communicated. The Matter which occurred immediately on my coming down here in April is not yet settled. The two parties Sumbwea & Sha have paid each nine slaves a goat & quantity of rice for breaking the Parrot law by fighting & shooting of Guns - this must be paid before the question of right or wrong of either party can be discussed, or a suit entered for trial by one of the parties against the other. In fighting both parties are wrong. In time of peace resistance, or self defence are very wrong as equally wrong as an assault, though self defence was never more common in any land than here. This fine or Tax is paid and the way is open for a suit to be entertained by the Chiefs. Sha prefers the charges, their place with Sumbwea is thus. A man belonging to Sha had occasion to lend a boy to Sumbwea to get a hoe made, while there the "Parrot devil" caught him and carried him into the bush to initiate him into the secrets of the "Parrot". This done, the man escapes some time after, to the blacksmith for his hoe & his oldest son, the Chief of the place & Parrot Gamana was told that the young man had come to steal away his brother which so enraged him that he sent men with orders to ~~the~~ catch the man stay and chain him which was very done. At this the man goes at once to Sha, shows his palaver and calls for help. A fast set off at once cross the river at Mbongo where the Chiefs prevail on them not to put their threats into effect & detained them at Sea. During this the Sumbwea people sent at once to Bonny for help which was at once given & soon a strong fast set out upon the grass fields between the two places causing the people to come out to fight. This was too much for Bonny warriors to stand they rushed at once from the town with a hideous war cry, each one another to war, the Chiefs hastened to the field and standing between them cried out that they could

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created by Mrs. & Mrs. Boston, which almost forbids Mrs. Jeffs or Miss Machingston from taking more of the care than she willingly resigns to them. As I am situated I cannot ask one of them to take the place of the head of the household affairs - Dr. & Dr. Lee cannot take it because of his peculiar over zealous manner of conducting his house affairs - so we have scarcely no head at all - If I would adopt any course to improve the government of the family because I lack a better half to aid in this matter whose right it would be to dictate freely I fail, rather shrink from an exercise of it, that these supposed measures are not adopted I am blamed -

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Our custom has been to read a chapter or more [illegible] worthy of reading two verses each, some who are admitted to read are not relying and some are bad readers so that our worship is not as spiritual as we could desire. All our missionaries felt this. While Dr Lee was ill I proposed at family worship that in the evening a Psalm he read in connection with Bishop Hom's comment on that book & spoke of my practice in my own family when I heard one - he at worship approved. For a week this plan had been followed out when the Dr was able to come to worship with us. Nothing was said to him about the change. He listened to but two verses when he arose abruptly and left the room throw his book on the table & vented his feelings. You may judge of my feelings. I could not finish the Psalm. After prayers he called me I said we had better get a Machine to pray for us. I begged his pardon for wounding his feelings, assured him that I had not so much as a thought of making family worship unpleasant to him, I would remove my preferences to save his feelings at once. By this you will not fail to account for much of our troubles. Small matters create great fires. I will try to give no offence & when I do

If I could be at Bonn falls it seems that I could do much to stay the war spirit, but trust in human effort is not safe I rest in God and look for good, only good continually.

The reports from the Bonn Falls Station up to the 6th of Sept. are most cheering. Mr Pitt has entered with all his Methodist zeal into the new plan of Preaching, and meets with writing multitudes to hear the story of the cross. Christ crucified the Saviour of the world - which is the theme of all his discourses. When [illegible] Lucker is down to Good Hope & says they never had better attendance, more interested hearers, some are uneasy & show some anxiety for their souls. This anxiety may be only the work of superstition or the Spirit working in their hearts - which only shows itself in superstitious dress. What else can we expect but superstition, rank & strong in such dark hearts where we see so much of it among enlightened Christian lands.

At Good Hope we are having an interesting time, Sabbath services are well attended. Prayer Meeting on Tuesday is interesting and well attended. Temperance meeting is also doing a good work. We call our Society "Sons of Rechab" We have in prospect the adoption of "Daughters", the Ladies have also a juvenile society of much interest.

I must say a word to you personally of my trying situation here. I say to you personally, for I would not injure anyone & I know you would not & will understand me when I say I would tell no one this I not feel that you should be made acquainted with us so far as may be, Don't I beg you send me in the light of an earnest friend. You are aware of the fact that I am at the head of Good Hope affairs & of the family of course. Mrs. Finemore is house keeper under circumstances

and an inveterate enemy of Boompey, has on the death of Bar Kelly P McKelly been invited to take the government of the Timmy fan into on the Dyong or Jong. His position there will be one of the strongest in the country. He is at peace with Kalefa & seems to favour well all his plans. On the Kittam there is another kind of these Slave dealers & the Koran faith who are in palaver with the country. The Kittam Chiefs have concluded in a great council of the Kissi Nation agreed to expell all strangers from their country who show hostility to their government. this the Soso's have done, they waited only for rice cutting to execute their purpose,

Now there is no regular chief in the country, King Sherbro is dead & can have no successor yet by the nomination of Sycuma (who has been dead for 6 years & has no successor & can have none yet by appointment of Bar Kelly & Bar Harry Tucker) Bar Harry Tucker (who has been dead more than a year and the Chief of Sherbro in Bonthum (who has been dead for some years) Boompey has no King its Bassa has been dead for years and his successor Nyang barooro is in London and acts as Margow's advocate though he is a boompey at heart.

In this unsettled state of affairs and reorganizing of parties so different from any former organizations we look for some out break of the bloody spirit the coming dries.

Manyamoo, Braws successor assured me that he would do all in his power to prevent Boompey from making the palaver a question of war, But he is not to be trusted, he stands candidate for King of Boompey & will accept & be proclaimed King in the Dry season.

We do not expect much difficulty in war, we shall be tried but do not so much fear

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to prevent blood shed but succeed only in preventing a general slaughter. Sumbrea was sacked, the chief warrior fled to [illegible] people were wounded. The Chiefs gave the parties "cassi" guilty of disturbing the public peace which lays them under a fine. During the last three months the parties have been paying their respective fines as I have before mentioned. The first step in a palaver is to lay down a certain sum by each party as a "stake or bet" this is placed in the hands of the chiefs who give it to the party having right. If both have wrong then the stake is returned to the several parties. The chiefs have a voice in the amount of the stake made so far as to limit it when the parties show a disposition to ruin each other. The party unwilling to lay his stake is counted in law as guilty. Even when his antagonist is able to lay down in the amount of the stake, if the chiefs allow it, is declared guilty. This is called buying the palaver. (or is paying fine or damages called buying the palaver.) Boompey standing to the back of Sha with a few of the Loobor Chiefs have declared their stake to be the whole Boompey country against the Loobor country. This is equal to a declaration of war for in case they have "right" they will take their stake of war. if they have wrong they will defend their country which will lead them to aggressive war. Just in this state I left the Boom countries.

There is another feature of this whole difficulty rather than are a several which I will here mention. Sumbrea is chiefly a Loobor or Soso town, religion Mahommedan. They have the sympathy of all of this religion also of the Slave trade. Kalya of Biarma formerly an Alli of Boompey against Sumbrea & Loobor & Boom has declared for Sumbrea & Loobor Lisey Woorro the Alli of Harry Lar Caulker against Mr Thomas Caulker of Benebo Kalefa & Sherbro of Rum

give offence unintentionally I will go all the way - take all the blame
do anything which Christian Charity requires & Christian Principle
allows to heal the wounds I have inadvertently made. Such are my
feelings. Yet the experience of the past & difficulties of the present
keep me under a wearing excitement which hangs like a clog
on my Spirits. I live in constant fear -

Your Letters of June 21. 1836 have arrived = I thank you
dear Sir, for your very faithful letter. It was kind in you to
write so earnestly & faithfully. I am sorry that I have
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fess [redacted]
of character enough to stand alone for the right. Though I do
most sincerely to be and do to others I should wish the
do to be to me I am too weak always to stand alone
the sus[illegible] & grief of those I love for an unsettled gues
sought [illegible]. Indeed I have been so strongly suspec
some of [illegible] letters have been burned rather than forwa
to those to whom they were written supposing that th
friendly thus some desired them to be. I wish you
[redacted]
[redacted] no excu
fail. am a man for a severe trial, this has long been
to me & made me shrink from my Father's hand, I
that God should allow me act so important a
as I often am called to. I can do so little to glorify
on account of my timidity & want of confidence
the right. On this account I often resolve to with-
draw from the Mission, & take a more humble &
less responsable position in the Mission field.

You will not fail to see by many passages of this letter if not in it as a whole that I am failing. My mind does not act as well as formerly - I can scarcely remember from one hour to another - Often my head feels as if some part of it was gone, Often my mind rushes onward, onward!! Onward!!! like a wild idea from reason & truth. I cannot [redacted] I dread delerium, I feel it after me, I change from one [redacted] to another - from one side of the room to another, from [redacted] the [redacted] se my hands & press my [redacted] head, [redacted] ling part - I long to be free, away, somewhere, at home. am using a strict diet & such aids as I can scare[redacted] drinking poison to keep my health which is quite [redacted] generally - till I can hear from you & [redacted] from [redacted] ica -

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Dr Lee thinks my estimates are far [redacted] & his [redacted] is that 1000 or 1200 dollars is the least a [redacted] if can live on here in this field, I suppose [redacted] few wo[redacted] our healt[redacted] , butter, cheese, fish, oil &c are used for health, estimates are made to meet such a condition the matter of living as I would choose & seem [redacted] . You will then use them, rather read them with great discression - For the present I shall lay down my pen, I have written too much sure, by your pardon, I beg to remain your faithful though unworthy

Missionary John A. Brewster -

Rev. J. A. Brewster, Aug 16

Revd Geo Thompson in a/c with Am Missy Ass.

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1856						
May 14	To Balance as per a/c rendered				£3	8
15	1 Pair Carpet Slippers	"	4	2		
16	1 Loaf Sugar 10 lb @ 8	"	6	8		
	1 lb Black Pepper	"	1	"		
	Cash per personal order of Miss MacIntosh	2	"	"		
	Ditto paid Coatheir on a Letter to New York	"	1	"		
17	Ditto paid Mrs Jane Thomas as per order of the 15th instant	"	5	"		
	1 Ham weighing 9¼ lb @ 7½	"	13	10½		
	1 Bottle Mustard	"	1	3		
	1 Empty Box	"	1	"	£3	13 11½
19	1 Bushel Clean Rice	"	10	"		
	Cash paid Labourers for conveying Ditto	"	"	2		
	Ditto per personal order of Miss MacIntosh	2	"	"		
	Ditto per personal order of George Thompson for Miss Hannah Moore	1	"	"		
20	Ditto per personal order of Miss Hannah Moore	1	"	"		
21	Ditto per " order of Dr Lee	2	"	"		
22	Amount of an order drawn in favor of Mrs Maryann Thomas	2	11	2	£9	1 4
	Carried over				£16	3 3½ 1

1856		Amount Brought over				16	3 3½
May 23		1 Quart Bottle Vinegar	.	1	6		
24		Cash per personal order of Miss MacIntosh	1	.	.		
		1 Leg Ham wt 10½ lbs @ 7½	.	15	9		
		1 Bar Soap 1¼	.	1	.¼		
26		Cash per personal order of Dr. D. J. Lee	2	.	.		
		Ditto paid Mr. Mehew for passage of Miss MacIntosh	.	10	6		
27		15 yds White Calico @ 6d	.	7	6		
		4½ yds Osnaburg @ 8d	.	3	.		
		1 pcs. Grey Cotton (30 in) 24 yds	.	7	.		
28		Amount of an order in favor of Mrs. E. Taylor Esq. by Dr. Lee	.	18	.		
29		Cash paid Mrs. Sumner for board of Miss Moore from 19th April to the 20th May 1856 32 days @ 1s	6	13	4		
30		1 Jar Butter 13 lbs @ 2d	1	6	.		
		Cash paid for 1 Leg Ham 10¼ lbs @ 7½	.	15	4½	14	18 11¾
		Ditto paid Labourer for conveying the above	.	.	1		
31		Cash paid Mr. Thomas A. Peters for passage of Mr. Thomas as per order dated 27th May 1856	.	5	.		
		Ditto paid subscription for 1 quarter to the "African" from 13th March to June 1856	.	4	.		
		Amount of an order drawn in favor of W. H. Pratt Esq. dated 13th May 1856	.	10	.		
June 2		1 Bottle Table Vinegar	.	1	6		
		Cash paid Henry Thomas (Carpenter) as per order dated Good Hope 27th May 1856	9	10	10½		
		Cash per personal order of Dr. Lee	2	.	.	12	11 5½
		Amount carried Forward				£43	13 8¾

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1856					
	To Amount Brought Forward				£43 13 8¾
June 4	1 Bladder Lard 2½ lbs @	1/3	3	1½	
	6 lbs Crushed Sugar @	8d	4	"	
	Cash paid Mrs E. Taylor as per order dated this day	"	3	4	
5	Amount of an order drawn on me in favor of Mr James Williams dated this day	"	14	"	
6	Cash per personal order of Dr Lee	1	"	"	
	Amount of an order drawn on me in favor of Simeon Agnor	"	16	8	
7	9 yds 9/8 Fancy Print @	8d	6	"	
	9 " Maddapollams @	6d	4	6	
	Cash paid Mr Samuel Burden	"	5	"	£3 16 7½
	Amount of an order drawn on me in favor of Mr Ed. Williams dated May 1st 56	2	2	"	
	1 Patch Cambric Handkf	"	1	"	
10	Cash per personal order of Dr Lee	2	"	"	
11	Ditto paid Labourer for conveying 2 Boxes to the Wharf	"	"	3	
	Ditto paid Ditto for carrying the above alongside the Cutter Juliana	"	"	6	
	Cash per personal order of Dr Lee	2	"	"	
	Ditto advanced Mr Jowett for Services as a Teacher per order of Dr Lee	1	10	"	£7 16 9
	carried over				£55 4 1¼

1856		To Amount Brought over					55	4 1¼
June 11		1 Bottle Table Vinegar			1	6		
12		½ Doz. Balance Ivory Handle Desert Knives			9			
		Cash paid Sarah Gordon for 1 Cow as per order of Dr. Lee		5	15			
13		Ditto paid Mr. Sumner for board of Ind. Geo. Thompson Two months £9. 6. 0						
2.		For Washing " 9. 9½						
		Provisions & Fruits 1. 19 3		13	5	1½		
		Miss Moore's board 10 days 1. 10. 10						
		as per order dated 13th June /56						
		1 Bladder Lard 4¼ lb	13		5	3¼		
14		1 Ham wgt 13¼ lb	15		19	10½		
17		Cash per personal order of Dr. Lee		1				
18		Ditto per " " Dr. Lee		1				
		Ditto per " " of Mr. Lee		1				
		12 Bladders Lard wgt 34 lb	13	2	2	6	26	18 2¾
		8 lb Salt for Ditto				8		
		1 Keg			1	8		
19		Cash per personal order of Mr. Lee			10			
		2 Bottles Table Vinegar	14		2			
		4 Jars assorted Jams	15		6			
		2 Do " Ditto	15		3			
		Cash paid Jno. E. Taylor Esqr. for Preserved Meats as per order of Dr. Lee dated 18th June /56		2	2	8		
		Ditto advanced Mr. Lowell for services as a Teacher			10			
		1 Bladder Lard 1¾ lb	15		2	2		
		1 Loaf Sugar 10 lb	8		6	8		
		Cash paid Sier Chally as per order of Dr. Lee			5		4	9 10
		Amount Carried Forward				£	86	12 2 1

Authority for G.S. Lee to draw a cone that he had after 1860

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1856					
	To Amount Brot. Forward				£ 88 12 2
June 19	Cash paid Maria Smith for washing as per order of Dr. Lee	2	5	8	
20	Ditto per personal order of Dr. Lee	1	2	2	
	Ditto paid Malfilatro & Co for 1 Cheese 5 lb @ 1/6 as per order of Dr. Lee	4	7	6	
	Cash per personal order of Dr. Lee	10	2	2	
	Ditto paid Mrs. Maryann Thomas for services rendered in the family as per order of Dr. Lee dated this day	2	16	2	12 10 2
21	Ditto paid Jno. E. Taylor Esqr. as per order of Doctor Lee	2	11	3	
	Cash paid Mrs. Margaret Jackson as per order of Dr. Lee dated 11th June 1856	3	2	2	
24	Ditto paid Capt. L. W. Tibbet for provision as per order of Dr. Lee dated 18th June 1856	16	6	2	
25	Ditto paid Captain G. Willar as per order of Dr. Lee dated 19th June 1856	13	7	1½	
					£ 33 4 6½
	Amount carried over				£ 132 6 10½

1856	To Amount Brought over				132 6 10½
June 25	Cash paid Charles Hazlebrg for the hire of his horse as per order dated 16th June 1856		10		
July 3	Cash paid Mr Brandrew as per order of Dr Lee dated Kent 1st July 1856		4		
	Ditto paid William Tucker as per order of Mr Brookes dated Good Hope 30th June 56	5			
	Amount of an order accepted in favor of John Coomber dated 30th June 56	8	12		
5	Cash paid for 1 Cow with belly as per letter of Dr Lee dated Kent 1st July 1856 by Joseph Brandrew	4			
	Ditto to Mary Ann Thomas to provide food for the Cow		3		
	Ditto paid Mr Samuel Burden as per order dated Good Hope 30th June 56	1	10		
					19 19
7	Cash delivered to Mr William Tucker for Dr Lee as per order of Dr Lee expressed in letter dated Kent 1st July 56	2			
	Ditto to Canoemen as per letter of Doctor Lee dated 4th July 56		2		
9	Ditto paid Edward A Macarthney as per order of Dr Lee dated		17		
12	Ditto paid Revd F. Buttman for board of Dr Lee while at Kent as per order of Dr Lee dated Kent 9th July 1856	3			
19	5 Doz. Blue Soup Plates @ 6/	1	10		
	5 " " Dinner do @ 6/	1	10		
	as per order of Dr Lee dated 14th July 56				8 19
	Carried Forward			£ 161	4 10½

1856	To Amount Brot. Forward				161 4 10½
July 19	1 Case containing the Plates	"	2	6	
24	Cash paid Mr. Thos. A. Peters for passage of the 2 Cows @ 7/6	"	15	"	
	Ditto paid Joseph Branden for buying provision for himself & provender for the Cow	"	6	"	
	Cash paid Mr. Thos. A. Peters for passage of Jos. Branden	"	5	"	
25	Ditto paid Benjamin Pratt for conveying 2 Cows & 1 Calf on board the Schooner "Nancy"	"	3	"	
					1 11 6
Aug. 2	Cash paid Mr. Samuel Burden as per order dated 1st Jan.y 1856	"	10	"	
4	Ditto paid Boatmen for conveying Clerks on board the Geo. H. Townsend to enquire for letters for Mendi Mission	"	"	6	
8	Amount of an order in favor of Thomas Bennett (Carpenter) dated Good Hope Aug. 5th/56	12	"	"	
	Ditto in favor of William Macaulay (Carpenter) dated Good Hope 5th Aug. 1856	12	"	"	
	Ditto in favor of Mr. Thos. A. Peters for passage of 4 men in his Schooner to Town as per order dated Good Hope Aug. 5th/56	1	"	"	
	Ditto of order in favor of William Bennett dated Good Hope 2nd Aug. 1856	13	"	"	
	Ditto in favor of Robert Macaulay dated 2nd Aug. 1856	11	13	"	
14	Ditto paid Boathire for transhipping 61 Packages from the Schooner G. H. Townsend to the "Nancy"	"	16	3	
	Marked as per margin				50 19 9
	carried over		£	213	16 1½

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1856	L Amount Brought over				213	16	1½
Aug 14	Cash paid Mr. Jas. B. Newman landing Waiter for superintending the transhipment, 2 days and extra hours @ 5/- per diem	"	11	3			
15	Amount of Mr. Thos. B. Peters Bill for Freight of 61 Packages Shipped in his Schooner "Nancy" from the Geo. H. Townsend Capt. Kelleyn, for Sherbro	4	"	"			
LT	1 Set Bill of Lading	"	1	"			
	Cash to Mr. Thomas Bennett and wife to buy wood for their passage in Mr. Emanuels Canoe	"	1	"			
	Ditto paid postage on a letter per "Candace"	"	"	4			
16	Cash paid L. Macaulay for passage of Mr. Decker & Children per his Canoe	"	15	"		8	8 4
Sept. 1	Ditto paid Mr. Allan Walker agent for Carne & MacKreth Consignees of the Schooner G. H. Townsend for Freight on 63 packages shipped in the above by Lewis Lappan Esq. measured 266 ft. @ 6/3 for 5 ft. Capt. Kelleyn for M. M.	16	11	3			
	Amount of wages paid Clerk from the 20th June to the 20th Aug: 1856 — 2 Months @ 6/- as per agreement to enable me to execute the business of the Mission	6	"	"	22	11	3
	Carried Forward				£244	15	7½

1856	To Amount Brot. Forward		£44 15 11½
Sept. 6.	Cash being the balance on the Note of hand drawn by Rev. George M. Decker in favor of Mendi Mission dated Wellington 6th February 1854 Credited to Mendi Mission in November 1854 as per a/c for £28. 9. 10½		
	and received of him as follow	10 9 8	
1855	Apr. 24th £ 11. 12. 2½		
	Oct. 3 " 19 3		
	May 10 / Aug. 6 5. 8. 8	18 0 1½	
	Cash for 17 days wages of a clerk being amount of allowance granted me by the Mission from the 20th Aug. to date — to discontinue from date as per letter of Dr Lee received this day dated Good Hope Mission Aug. 14th 1856	1 14	
			12 3 8
	Amount of a/c with Messrs Thos. Bennett, Samuel Rusden & Henry Moses — Mr Thomas Bennett became security for the other two men for sundry articles as will be seen by the enclosed a/c rendered this day	5 3 4	
26	Cash paid Mr Chas. Pyne for 10 Bushels clean Rice had of him by Dr D. J. Lee on the 7th June 56 as per bill rendered	5 "	
	Amt. of an order in favor Mrs Mary Ann Decker dated Good Hope 8th September 1856	4 11 "	
			14 14 4
	Carried over		£241 13 11½

1856		Amount Brought over				271	13	11½
		Amount of an order in favor of Mr. W. T. Cyprian on a/c of work done under the Revd. Mr. Brookes	4	15	0			
		2 lb Mixed Tea	0	9	0			
		2 p/s Yd. Coloured Marcella @ 2/6	0	6	3			
		2 Long Hair Brooms @ 5/6	0	11	0			
		1 Pair Patent Leather Shoes	0	15	6			
		2 Pairs Ladies Boots @ 7/6 8/-	0	15	6			
		1 Ladies Tuscan Hat	0	7	9			
		Cash paid for 2 Ladies Leghorn Hats @ 12/6 as per order of Mr. Brookes	1	5	0			
		Ditto paid Mrs. E. Taylor Esqr. for 2 Corn Brooms @ 2/6 as per order of Mr. Brookes	0	5	0			
		8 Yd. White Figured Ribbon @ 1/6	0	10	0			
		1 " Black Ditto	0	0	6			
		2 lb Crushed Sugar @ 8d	0	1	4			
		½ Doz. Balance handle Dinner Knives	0	12	0			
		½ Doz. Wine Glasses	0	5	0			
		1 lb. Candles	0	1	6			
		1 Jar Gooseberry Jam	0	1	6			
		8 Packets Letter Envelopes @ 5d	0	3	4			
		25 lb Ginger @ 3d	0	6	3			
		10 lb Arrowroot @ 3d	0	2	6			
		1 Empty Case				14	11	11
					£	286	5	10½

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May 14	By 1 Set American Missionary Bill dated 14th May 1856 drawn by Mr. D. W. Barton for Mendi Mission in my favor To Lewis Tappan Esqr. Treasurer of the A. M. A. 48 Beekman Street N. Y.	200	.	.
Sept. 1	2 1/2 Barrel Flour @ 18/9	1	17	6
LT 5/6	Freight for ditto measuring 5 ft. 8 in. 9' @ 6/3 per 5 cubic feet	.	5	11 1/4
6	2 Volumes Drawings Mahomet as per Bill of Dr. D. J. Leo dated Goods Hope 24th Aug/56	.	10	5
29	1 Set American Missionary Bill dated 29th Sept. 1856 at 30 days sight drawn by Revd. John L. Brooks in my favor To Lewis Tappan Esqr. Treasurer of the American Mis. Assn. 48 Beekman St. New York $401. 28 1/2 being payment for balance of account to date as per a/c forwarded	83	12	1/4
		£ 286	5	10 1/2

John Ozzie's a/c
to 27 Sept '56
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Good Hope Mission Station
Sherbro Ind. Sept. 9
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Rev. George Whipple
Cor. Sec. A. M. A. New York

My Dear Bro-

The whole panorama of our operations here has now passed in review before you, and the return to America of Mr. & Mrs. Burton & Mr. Thompson & Miss Moore, with all their several despatches; you have it all, and long before this reaches you judgment will have commenced on this mission by the Executive Committee, the end thereof to be gathered after many days. All these and many more circumstances render it unnecessary to dwell upon some topics mentioned in yours of June 23rd. I had not yet sealed mine of August — when your whole batch of letters &c. &c were received. After reading yours I saw no reason to change anything therein, consequently sent it to town. you may receive it with this.

I have just recovered from a severe bilious attack, I was abed a week and suffered considerable. I had high fever, pain in the head, and diarrhoea, but by God's blessing on our sanative remedies I am nearly well, but weak yet. My constitution is not all shattered by calomel nor any nerve tonics poison Quinine but when one recovers under the Physio-Medical System his system is cleansed from not loaded with morbid matter. You may ask why not then cure Miss McIntosh? It is an easy matter to cure her, but to keep her cured is another thing. a short time ago, she

she was cured of an attack of Fever & Ague, for a few days hopes were entertained of her ultimate recovery, but one morning she was found out in the wet farm, gathering vegetables, of course a relapse followed. The same thing happened a week ago after her recovery from that relapse she went to work with hand brush and scrubbed and washed out her chamber - became wringing wet with perspiration and of course was taken down again - this is her course and I tell it you not to "find fault" but that you may know the cause of and be prepared to hear of her death at any time. She is not a reasonable creature and is no sane; think of it as you will, and charge me with being severe in my judgement - one half hours conversation, will convince any thinking person that she is non-compos-mentis go home she will not, and it requires the services of one of the Missionaries to nurse her. This is a point upon which I wish to dwell. Is it our duty to be thus burdened, when we are convinced that some one of our company will never physically be adapted to the work, and constantly requires the time, care, & watching of one or more of the company - and that persons still persists is remaining - what is our duty? we do not now mention going home to Miss M. - but treat her kindly and will continue to do so. Should it not be a rule for the committe to recall such person immediately after the case is presented to them? I present this case to let once settle the point.

I come now to your very long kind and welcome letter. From its tone, as well as from some remarks in Bro. Tappan's, I am led to beleive I wounded your feelings by some remarks made in former letters of mine concerning a "General Letter" &c. This surprises me, as I had no such intentions at all - nor any lack

confidence in you in any respect. I am very sorry that such a state of feelings should exist Bro. Jackman advises that I should again read the "general letter." I too would advise that my letters be read after his rule. I am well convinced after a further acquaintance with the missionaries now in the field that in some points wherein I thought Bro. Whipple severe he was only just. For I find a proclivity among the females of our mission to slander each other to a shameful extent. I with yourself am exceedingly anxious to perpetuate the pleasant relations we sustained to each other after our short acquaintance, but I exceedingly fear for such a result when calumny and misrepresentation are so freely dealt in as they have been by those whose testimony you have now heard. You may think me void of charity. I freely acknowledge I only judge of what they have done in New York by what they did here; on this point I would merely state that Mrs. Glickinger was not is nor will not be a a woman of veracity until the Lord convert her. I saw her once, and then she perpetrated a wilful and deliberate falsehood on me without the slightest cause. beware of the influence of her "conversation". I could give you abundant evidence on this point of the truth of my assertion but they have left the connection and it is useless.

I could heartily wish that your, or any other good family government, were applicable to the government of our mission intercourse. Associates. but the only rule under the present condition of affairs is - "Familiarity breeds contempt" and the less of that mingling together we have - the better.

"The application of the principles of our relation to the regulations of the Executive committee & our carrying out of those regulations" is a vital point to this or any mission. When the committee make such rules as are unscriptural, oppressive & degrading, and the missionaries for awhile (for peace sake) submit to them, it does not make the rules right, nor justify the Ex. Com. nor the mess. in enforcing nor submitting - nevertheless let all things be done in decency & order not violently - we must have a change in our family arrangements. And allow me, for I shall use plainness of speech in insisting on that change - not a promise of "consideration" by the Ex. Com. This living out of a common stock and each one helping themselves is to say the least swinish, and degrading every social faculty to a sordid looking out for self. No well bred and intelligent family would submit to it, and there is no more necessity for it, than there is for the Officers of the Association to live from one common larder. Mr. Brooks tells he wrote on this point a year ago and the Com. promised to consider it. I have stated my position in the matter in mine of August & I still maintain it. I will not be compelled to watch every box of goods & cask of provisions that may be opened - in order that I may get my share - so - we can do differently - let every family have its own appointed station - its particular work assigned it and their allowance for the family specified, single members may board & pay their board & submit to family regulations. Mrs. Buxton justly complained of the imposition to which she constantly has to submit. There should be a fund (limited) from which we could pay laborers for general purposes, but limit the amount to be expended on any station to the control of the local committee. this would be a great saving to the mission

I will here give you the figures of the expense of a Ministers or Physicians family of two for one year, you may judge therefrom what our salary ought to be. Should the he i.e. the head of the family travel to preach, on business or for any purpose, he would require 6 Boatmen -

Expenses of a family of two. Per Annum.

	£
6 Boatmen a £1 each per month £6 -	72.0.0
Rice per Month for Boatmen 1 Bua. 6 bu a. 6s £1.16.	21.12.0
1 Cook a £1.10 per mo. & Rice 12 Bu a 6.	18.12.0
1 Nurse a £1 & Rice also Extra Fish & for Servants	21.0.0
Wear & Tear of Boat Sails. Painting Boat, Extra Carts &c	10.0.0
Clothing for Man & Wife including Shoes, Umbrellas &c.	67.0.0
Probable expense of sickness £10. Extra nurse £5	15.0.0
" " of Journey to Freetown & Boarding	20.0.0
" " of Food for own Family	50.0.0
	£215.4.0 or
	$1217.0

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This I think is not an over drawn estimate. The English missionaries get £300. and say they cannot live on it, because no doubt of their wine-bibbing they have no traveling to perform like we. Let me assure you that the expense of this Good Hope Station is nearly twibble that amount. exclusive of the expense of boarding and clothing the children. It looks enormous and I would gladly reduce it but facts are stubborn things. In the above there is no item of Medicines or Library. It is true that we have such an amount of stock of different kinds on hand that to divide off the families and commence at once, that it would not require the whole amount to begin with in the 1st year, but besides all this, if the committee will continue the policy of Boarding schools, provissions should be made at $30 per annum per Scholar.

I hardly know what to say about boarding Schools. We have begun the plan and immense sums have already been expended to carry out the policy. All has signally failed and it has been a question in my mind, whether we were not so entrameling ourselves with domestic cares as to effectually prevent us from accomplishing the object which God intended in sending us here. i.e preaching the Gospel. But Bro. Brooks has dwelt at such length on the subject and covered the whole ground. that I will say but little about it. When Bro. B. begins any thing he goes it to the extent of Ultraism and then as suddenly gets tired of it. I care what is to be done with that Snuff box he has built up at Boom Falls, when his resignation goes into effect? He now talks of going to Turtle Island. Who is to take charge of this & the other new Station at Mahabalipuram? Verily this is a strange world and strange men in it! Do Bro. Whipple loose no time in urging these things to a focal point before the committee we are in a most sad plight indeed.

You speak of regretting the misunderstanding in reference to my authority for the removal of Kau-hendi Station. I can assure you and you are already convinced of the fact from Bro. Brooks letters that I came here without a line of authority of any kind whatever and you do me the justice, for which I sincerely thank you to say you do not believe I claimed such authority. Neither have I been misunderstood, nor did I misunderstand any one in the matter - it is a gross and willful misrepresentation of me, and a base attempt to injure me, by interested parties toward whom I can only have a most sovereign contempt for their meanness. That the conclusion of the whole matter - I told the meeting which G. T. called that in conversation every one with whom I conversed in New York, urged me to use my influence to have it removed & one went so far as to say if it had to be burned down, sooner than loose any more lives there: Yours.

The climate is still pleasant to me. We are now having the change from the rainy to the dry season: the rain no longer pours in incessant torrents as it did some weeks ago. a few bright sun shiny days occur each week, we have had thunder and lightning and the appearance of Tornadas, sudden gust of wind whistle through the house, the air is unusually clear and balmy at times and all nature manifests the change; some of the birds are gone another have come. The effect on the system is quite perceptible: disposition to take cold & cough is perceived. also a drowsiness in the morning - much like the spring mornings at home. If the constitution is not shattered by poisons and the general health is good, these changes are not so deleterious, but to a feeble constitution or one loaded with morbid matter, severe illness is almost sure to follow these external changes if in addition the system is completely saturated with alcoholic liquors; death is almost certain to the European or Foreigner, numbers have died in Freetown from this cause within the last month. I love Africa and do not now want to return to a cold climate, with care and God's blessing I hope to live long here. I have no hesitancy in recommending to those who wish to come to a tropical climate to come here. not heroically defying every physical law, but carefully obeying them. There need not be under Physio-Medical Treatment by four fifths as many deaths as there has been heretofore. A number who are now dead might have been living, under good medical treatment.

We are still encouraged in our labors among those people; they are anxious to learn literature, but to live holy and godly lives is only a circumstantial impulse, depending on the amount of rice and fish to be gained thereby. They love missionaries and missions, wherever our influence is felt their condition is alleviated, and as a matter of course the power of the rulers over their subjects is lessened - Thus in an imperceptable manner the Gospel is leavening this whole land. We hear of wars and rumers of wars all of which are to increase the power of the usurpers of this land i.e. the Mahomedans. It is quite cheering to learn that the native chiefs have determined to drive out the Soo-Soo-Slave dealers from the Boom river and its tributaries. they seem united and determined to do so this dry season, I think it will be done, the Soo-Soo's tell me they intend to leave, and that is pretty good evidence they have to go. We may then look for a better state of government. Oh that we were strong enough to go up and possess the land. We could have access to the chiefs of the country if it were not for the Mahomedan influence. They would gladly learn "white man fashion" of us, and we could sow the seeds of the Gospel all over this country. But who is sufficient for these things? we are already bowed down with excessive labor, as a cart beneath its sheaves - and to the people perish for lack of knowledge. - Let no one suppose should they come here that the people at once adopt christain usages and line the lives of christains - so scarce a true christain is found in this Mission after so many years effort - but we have laid the foundation in many minds - who will come and build thereon. We has G. & R. join in love to you.

Yours in X

D. J. Lee

Recd Sept 16, 1850
Nov 26, 1850
Recd. Nov 29

Mr Lewis Tappan Dr

To Brown, Brothers & Co.

For reimbursement of Brown, Shipley & Co's acceptance under credit dne 24/12 7 Septr in England . . . £ 2.20.—

Commission, . . . 2%, 4.8.0

Estimated Interest, . . 1%, 2.4.0

£ . . . per exchange, £ 226.12.0

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7393
FISK UNIV.

New-York, 8 Septr 1856

Mr Lewis Tappan Dr

Dear Sir

Above we hand statement of Brown, Shipley & Co's acceptance on your account, now maturing, and for which we shall feel happy to settle with you.

Yours, respectfully,

for Brown Brothers & Co

John E. Johnson

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Rec'd Mr Bradley

Rec'd C & Martin

Amos Busey
Acctn

Danville Iowa Sep. 9th/56

Dear Brother Tappan

I have just returned from visiting my friends in Ill. and found your note of July 23d asking for information respecting a draft in favor of Charles Heddle dated Feb 25. I wrote you advice of it, which you have probably not received. It was for the freight on the goods sent to the Mission by the brig "Red Warrior"

I have been gaining some in health for the last week, and have strong hope that I shall be able to return to Africa this fall.

We have given our little girl to a cousin of mine at Dunleith Ill., and now my own health is pretty much all in the way of my returning to Africa. I hope you will be very careful who you send to that field, and not try to send too many at once.

I wish you to send my papers that I spoke to you of. It will cost a note & receipt from my brother Nathan F. Burton.

Mrs Burton is well,

Yours truly — D. W. Burton.

D. W. Burton
9 Feb. 1856

Wants papers

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. EI-1344
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Mrs. M. Main
Oberlin Ohio
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A. M. A. ARCHIVES

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-138
FISK UNIV.

Oberlin 9th Sept. 1856

George Whipple

Dear Christian brother.

Your favor of the 18th ult. came duly to hand, and as my husband was absent on a visit to friends in Canada, I thought it might be best to delay writing to you till his return.

Mrs Dascomb and Mrs Merrill enclose a few lines. I do not know whether or not any of the brethren will write to you, but we have shewn your letter to some of them as you requested. If we are appointed to go this fall, we would need to know soon, in order to make necessary preparations.

I will briefly answer your questions in order.

1. It accords with my past christian experience to walk by faith and not by sight, my faith has been tried, and the trial has been precious to me.

2. Bro. Thompson did not give us the bright side of the picture only, he also gave us the dark side, at least as much of it as his hopefull disposition

would allow him to give; he told us that we could not conceive of the state of things there unless we saw it for ourselves. If we wish to be of any use in working for God, we must look to him for strength at all times, and then we will not feel like abandoning the work he gives us to do.

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3. Wherever I live I expect to meet with trials, but if I am devoted to the service of God he will give me strength sufficient for my day, I do not think it is natural for me to dwell on trials.

4. We must expect that every one will have their own ways of speaking and acting, but I think if we are filled with the meekness and gentleness of Christ we will be glad to see good done, and help to do it too, although it may not be done in the way we would like best.

If the Climate has a tendency to make folks irritable, we must "bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ." and "follow after those things which make for peace".

There can be no doubt but that in Missionary life the christian character, will be put to a pretty severe test, I think I could yield my

preferences more gracefully now, than I would have done at an earlier period of my christian experience.

You want to know just why we want to go, and what we want to do. I would like to go to Africa because I think we owe more to that people than to any other. seeing they are and have been so much abused in this country, And there seems to be great need for christian laborers there.

If your com. conclude that we had better go, I expect to teach school there, I have had some experience in teaching school already, and those who knew me best thought I was fitted to occupy that sphere of usefulness, We had in view to teach in Canada, but there seems to be more need of teachers in Africa.

Yours in christian love

Mary M. Mair

A. H. A. ARCHIVES
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Matthew Mair
Oberlin Ohio
Sept 9, 1850
Rec'd Oct 20/50

N. A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. A-7396
FISK UNIV.

Oberlin Sept. 9th 1856

Dear Brother Whipple

In consequence of my visit to Canada, the answer to your queries has been delayed till the present time. We have shewn your letter to several of the faculty that know us best, and consulted with them on the subject. Some of them will probably give in their testimonies in regard to us. What the result will be, we cannot tell. We would leave it to God, and let him direct. I will now answer your questions.

1st By the grace of God, I can say, in the sweet language of the Apostle Paul "The life which I now live in the flesh, I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me" For "we walk by faith, not by sight"

2d Brother George Thompson's hope is large I do not suppose that I have that hope and courage he has; yet I feel as if the salvation of the world was the work to which I ought to devote my life, and to abandon that, would be to make shipwreck of faith. I trust we can rest in the promises of God which are all "Yea and Amen, in Christ Jesus". I believe there are but few men in the world who can bear trials like Bro. George Thompson, laboring and toiling for so long a period without his dearest earthly companion. This shews his great self-denial and willingness to bear the cross; for the sake of Jesus Christ.

Your third query In regard to trials I could never think of going to Africa, without at the same time making up my mind to bear trials; but does not the love of Christ demand from us, a consecration of our all to his service? and all

that I can suffer will be as nothing in comparison to what he did and suffered for me.

4th When I first came to this country, my mind was narrow and contracted, having seen but little of the world, and thus but ill-acquainted with human nature; but now during a residence of seven years in this country, and mostly in this place, I have learned a great many things, which I could not otherwise have learned, and feel now, that I can co-operate with any man or body of men, in the extension of the Redeemers Kingdom, if they really have the love of God in their souls, no matter to what denomination they belong.

In regard to giving up our preferences, I hope we shall be guided by the example of Jesus Christ, our Saviour in all such cases, whose we are, and whom we serve, whilst I do not believe in sacrificing principle, yet I believe in sacrificing all we can consistantly for the sake of peace and unity.

Further, I would say I am willing, quite willing to occupy any sphere in life, if I can only by that better promote the cause of my dear Redeemer. I would be willing to be employed in the field, in the way the brethren deem best. I think we could be useful in a great many ways.

I may say I have been to Canada, This also is a great missionary field, much good could be done there, by those possessed by the right spirit. Many of my dear friends would like to see us there, in order that we might teach school and wield an influence for good amongst them; thus I feel like waiting upon the Lord, to see what he would have me to do. I do not wish to drive my way to either of these countries, but crave to lie humbly at his feet and know no will but his. I cannot say whether we

~~we~~ can live there (I mean in Africa) or not. I would leave this with God. The chief motive I have in view, in going to Africa, (if I know mine own heart aright) is to do good. I wish to go where I can do the most good.

Perhaps Bro. George Thompson has not told you concerning my difficulty in hearing. I think it right to tell you this. My hearing was impaired when a boy about four years of age by accident. I feel it to be considerable of a want, yet it is no reason at all, why I should keep back from the work. It would be a considerable hindrance to me in the way of getting hold of the language; yet through means of my wife I could probably get hold of it too to some ~~considerable~~ extent ~~also~~. One way by which I can be useful is in talking to people by their fireside or in their houses. I love this much and do not tire of it. I think also I might teach and exhort ~~to~~ some ~~considerable~~ extent.

Perhaps I ought to say I am slow in my movements, and have a great deal of the Scotch element in me yet; though I have learned much that is American. I will not hesitate to go at once if the way is fully opened up for us.

Your Sincere brother in Jesus.

Matthew Mair.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

P. S. We will consider it a favor if you will be so kind as answer this as soon as convenient.

M. M.

D. J. Lee. Sept 9/50
to the
Ex. Com.

A.M.A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-2997
FISK

Good Hope Mission Station
Sherbro Isld. West Africa
Sept. 9th 1856

To the Executive Committee of
The A. M. A. New York

Dear Brethren

Your letter of June 28th/56 relative to the occupation of Kaw-mendi Station by Miss. Hannah More as Miss. in charge - was received; and duly considered. In reply we would state that we have several important objections thereto - But as Miss More has returned to America and may not insist upon such permission, we deem it scarcely necessary to state them, were it not for the principal involved in such arrangement.

1st We have in former letters stated our objections to the present democratic government of the Mission believing it to be the worst possible form of government to insure success in missionary enterprise: we are now suffering under the bad effects of such policy: consequently we could not be expected to acquiesce in an arrangement whereby women shall rule in the church, it being according to our views unscriptural and impolitic.

2d The necessary expense involved in making the arrangements for her comfort should she return to Kaw-mendi Station - we consider would be money uselessly expended. She would require better accommodations than are needed under the present arrangement & having a native teacher and preacher in charge of the station, and as we reduced the station partly on account of the expense of repairs constantly needed thereat. it would be an inconsistency with former action.

3rd. To our knowledge the church at Kau-mende do not desire a female guardian, and difficulties would arise if such appointment were made - of an unpleasant nature requiring the interferance of a male missionary, hence hard feelings and a cause of contention.

4th. The personal inconvenience to which a female would be subject under such circumstances would be a greater source of care to the mission than to leave it under the care of a native assistant.

Other objections might be offered but we think these sufficient - Should however the Executive Committee deem proper to make such appointment, and entirely release either of us from all responsibility of such station and we to feel under no more obligation to care for it, than any other neighbor, and guarantee to us exemption from such responsibility, it then becomes our duty to submit to any appointment deemed proper by the Ex. Com.

Should Miss Hannah more be returned to the mission it can only be congenial with our desires, on the condition that she give us a written recantation of her charges against our moral character in a letter of Feb 25th 1856, and a guarantee on the part of the Executive Committee that there shall be no more such letters written. We also demand from her, a public acknowledgement of her wrong in the matter of clandestine by removing Charles Jones from the mission. Her actions have been a public source of reproach to our mission in the eye of the colonial government of Sierra Leone & of the chiefs of this country, to make good such wrong we deem her indispensable duty before we can receive her among us as a fellow laborer - no longer a governer but an assistant as we deem the proper position of all females in a mission

While upon the subject of assistant teachers, we think proper to state to the committee the necessity of sending persons in that capacity - should they deem it expedient to continue the boarding school policy. We much need male teachers at Good Hope and Mo-Tappan Stations. Should Miss M. Intosh's health continue so poorly it is necessary that her place be supplied. It is but meet and right that ordained ministers attend to their peculiar calling and preach the Gospel from house to house, under present arrangements our duties are so onerous as to prevent such action. With the aid of male teachers we could attend to that most important duty. Should the committee deem the expediency of altering the policy of the Mission in respect to the points named in our latest communications we think that the present condition of the Mission is more favorable for future success than at any former period, and we could more heartily engage in our work than under the present disorganized condition of affairs.

Esteeming it our privileges and a duty we owe to the cause of Christ we urge upon you the consideration of the topics named, and your prompt action thereon.

Yours in the Bonds of the Gospel
David J. Lee

Z. A. No. A. ARCHIVES
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This does not meet the views of Bro. Brock and is not sent as his opinions.

David J. Lee

A. M. A. ARCHIV
NOF1-7398
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Oberlin College
Sept 9 1856

I know Matthew Mair for five or six years & his Wife about three years. I should say they are both admirably adapted to Missionary life of a certain kind: he, to work, & guide & direct laborers & Mrs. Mair to teach School. Mrs M, will be useful wherever she is placed. I do not think that Mair would shine as a teacher, but most assuredly he would be a very useful man. They are both devout persons; indeed their piety is <u>much</u> above the ordinary run of professing Christians.

J P Cook

I have read the above to Prof Jones & Merchito & Deacon Thompson & they both agree with my opinion.

N. Hill, Esq
Oberlin Ohio
Sept 9/50

v Mr. Mann

Oberlin Sept. 10th 1856

Dear Bro. Whipple

I feel it to be my duty to go to Africa, and tell ~~the~~ the simple story of the cross to my sable brother there. I love that wronged and oppressed people, and would therefore lay myself upon the altar saying "Lord here am I send me". I have no will of my own. Do with me what seemeth thee best. In regard to my ability to stand the climate I can say nothing. My general health is remarkably good so much, so that, I have never needed to pay any doctors bills. Thanks be to God, I will leave all in my kind Heavenly Fathers hands, and let him direct. He will keep them in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on him. Blessed Jesus.

Your brother in Jesus.

Matthew Mair

Our address is Oberlin.
Lorain County. Ohio.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7314
FISK UNIV.

Matthew Muir
Mary M. Muir Oberlin

Dear Bro. Whipple

Sept 10/55

We have been conversing with Brother Thomson, on the subject of going to Africa; and he wishes us to make a short statement of our feelings to you, to be enclosed in his letter.

In complying with this request, I would simply say that I feel it to be my duty to go and labor in Africa if the Lord opens up the way for us.

I think I might be the means of doing more good teaching there, than any where else, and for that reason would like to go.

I want God to place me in that situation in which I can do most to promote his glory.

We would be willing to go this fall if it be thought best we should.

your sister in Jesus

Mary M. Muir

Danville Iowa Sep. 10th/54

Dear Brother Whipple.

We have just returned from visiting my friends in Ill., and found your letter of August 6th here. I have been improving in health for the last two weeks, and I think that I might now be as well off in Africa as here. I know that I am needed at Good Hope. I have taken those children from their parents, and can probably have a greater influence over them than any other persons. I fear that they will not get along so well with strangers, as to have us with them, and to tell you the truth, I am home sick to get back. I am ready to return whenever the Com. think it is best. My friends advise me to remain at home during the winter, but my own choice would be to return this fall. I shall leave the matter entirely with the Com. I am acquainted with a man named Jacob Richard, in Wis. who some years since thought some of going to Africa, and this man is perhaps the one you allude to in your letter. He is not a suitable person to send. I will suggest some

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7400
FISK UNIV.

Yours in Christ
J. W. A.

P.S. Have copies been sent to the Missions in Africa on your case? The Indian of Good Hope is an honest
J. W. A.

things respecting the future operations of the Mis=
=sion, and the sending of a new company.
1st To open a new station at Bendor, or near
Mr Hanson's on Sherbro Island, to be under the
care of Dr Ive. He also to superintend Kew Bendi;
and make use of all the materials from the
K. R. house that are needed in building the
new station, either to sell the Iron part, to buy
other materials, or use it, as the Dr may wish,
2d To send two new Missionaries, married
men, and be very careful what manner of spirit
they are of. We want men who are willing to take
hold in a systematic way, and do their part, and
who will not be constantly undertaking some
visionary scheme. One of them to be a minister
who will be able to master the language, and
let him understand that to be his work, by appointment
from the Com=, also to have charge of the minis=
=terial duties at Good Hope. The other to assist
Mr Brooks in the Boom field.
3d Let the preliminary steps be taken for opening
a station in the Bargro river, or at Wela,
as is thought best, and this work I would like
to do, if I return this fall.
I have not been able as yet to do any thing to

earn money for my support as I had hoped, and have been under the necessity of expending a considerable, in buying some warmer clothing than I had, and paying expenses of a journey to Dunlap in the N. W. corner of Ill. to take our little Mary. We have given her to a cousin of mine living there, who has lost her children, and takes Mary as her own. We think it an excellent plan. To meet these expenses, and visit my friends in Ill. I have used $80 of my own money, & $23, contributed by my friends to me as an individual, also $17.90 contributed by the Congregational Church of Plymouth Ill. Mon. Con. Col. for the farm in Jamaica. This you will please charge to me, if you think best, if not I will try to refund it from my own funds. Mrs Burton is very well, and though she is not as anxious as I am to return to Africa, is still ready and willing to go at any time when the Com. think best. I hope you will not defer the time of sending a new company on longer than the first of Nov. and it would be better to start before that time, to give them all the dry season to labor in Africa. What I have said of Mr Richard is in confidence.

D. W. Burton Danville Iowa
Sept 10/50

I don't know what you intend to do about sending Miss Moore back. My own opinion is that she would do much more good, under the circumstances, to have charge of a school in Jamaica, than at Bundi Mission.

I saw Br Thompson & heard him lecture at Plymouth Ill. He is more guarded in his expressions about Africa, than he used to be, but still a great deal that he says respecting the hopefulness of that field, is as I have seen it in Africa, and is calculated to give a wrong impression. I have never pretended that the people of Africa will not listen to the preaching of the gospel, but to convey the idea that they are to any great extent ready to receive its truths into their hearts, and become consistent and worthy members of the church, is false. Our great effort must be with the children, for the present, and in this way we will gain the confidence of the adults, and produce a greater impression upon them, than in any other way. I think, Still the Gospel should be faithfully preached, and its claims enforced, and some will yield obedience to it. Please write me soon, and if you wish to have us go back this fall, I would like to know it soon.

Very truly yours — — D. W. Burton.

Private Confidential Grant Hope House

I did not fetch the letter mentioned in this endorsement but one will do soon.

Sherbro Gallinas 12 Sept 1860

My dear Brother,

I send the enclosed as a specimen of religious cant. It is being from a Presbyterian Lady, addressed to a Rev Mr. & the following is copied as an appendix to the letter of one graduate from Yale Theol. Sem. The following facts & this is can be relied upon I am acquainted with some of the parties and the circumstances regarding them.

Jonathan Fox was by and minister guilty of adultery with Mrs. Rogers, also with Mrs. Hogan.

Henry Badger, a native Missionary, lived where his husband was guilty of adultery in Sierra Leone, & with a married Sierra Leone, & his daughter was having a child was unable to tell whether it was his or his Special Missionary travelling

David Griffith Presbyterian Missionary, was habitually with Mrs. Hazely & Mrs. Thorp has been caught with them in the act of adultery, in the day time, by his servants.

Walter Gray, Wesleyan Missionary & Prof. of Languages at the New York Institute, was guilty of adultery with Mrs. Hazely & with his housemaid who has a child by him. His conduct was thus by living with Mrs. Hazely as her husband instead of a school teacher.

Geo. H. Scott, native Missionary, has two wives & children, by stealing one in the exercise of the Ministry, guilty of adultery with Mrs. Hazely & living past age.

Jos. Ogle Wright, a native Missionary, has a young woman living with him, which he calls his wife, & has by her several children.

Thomas Rastor. Wesleyan Missionary Superintendent. Was so much talked of as an adulterer that the general conference thought to report him but he managed to escape and holding others who were guilty and fear to expose. The woman specified, was a Mrs Brown. There is no doubt but he was guilty. These excepting James Wright who is dead & Mr Stone who has been silenced are still in the ministry & claims fair.

Then there are among their local preachers a greater proportion of this character Messrs. G. Cummings, R. Grant, Moses Lemmon, D. Decker, J. Prigg, Moses Lewis, W. Walker, F. Nicol, Wm Pratt, Morgan, Mark, G. Rhodes & Macauley, all Preachers & Teachers and yet guilty of adultery. Some are abandoned characters yet they manage to keep their position. It is said by those who should know I am as reliable as any one in these parts that not less than ½ of all the leading members of the Wesleyan Church are guilty of like crimes.

Class leaders keep the members of their classes as concubines & pept misses, School Masters their pupils Ministers their lovers Church members pay & compell their daughters to abandon themselves to vice for money are not uncommon occurrences.

If I give you a case you will better understand how these things are done up here. The Collector of the Customs is a man of rank & of money, a member of the Wesleyan Church and a local preacher. His wife visits my town & some young girl of fair complexion is taken into Mr. C—'s house, goes to his bed. The mother becomes I am told, quietly conference has found him. He turns his wife out of the house she finds a good home in a small town in a case the most of the town where she lives will say Mr. C's conduct!

Rev. J. S. Brooks, Sept. 19/56

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7402
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Mission House
Sherbro Island. 12. Sep. 1856.

My dear Brother Whipple.

Dr Lee has been kind enough to let the see his estimates of the expences of a Mission family here. I have suggested to him to send to you particular items of expences so you can see at once the reason for the amount he gives. I will do the same so you can have the facts as they really are. My estimates are for myself, providing for none but real comforts of life such as the poor must be satisfied with. His are for himself, or for common good livers, with none of the extravagents of life. I, in my estimate, provide for two boat men 15£ each, extra boat hire 10£ Boat repairs 10£ house servant 20. & self. 60£ Call the £. 5.$. & we have 6 50.$. Now I will tell you how I would live. I would live on native food chiefly. I would have neither fish, flesh, or fowls, nor pies, cakes, bread butter, pickles, oils preserves tea or coffee on my table, I would cook one a day, so my servant should do the work of two. should keep the house & cook, which would cost me 14£ a year, the other 6£ would be for my washing which is a small allowance. I think it would cost twice that sum if I should change daily - as I do a greater part of the time. I usually have to hire in my boat, I could do go short distances with but two and so be obliged to keep but two if I had my labour close by me, these two boat men I could employ on work about the garden & buildings when not in the boat. which would be barely help enough to keep a small garden. When I wished to go some distance I would hire extra men, for which I have provided. I am sure that but few would be willing to live on so small an allowance here so I say again my estimates are for my self. Not that I would have you to understand me to offer to labour for the association could I be allowed such a salary. No, I have resigned my connection with the Ass. for reasons sent you this.

I have thought however of asking you to allow me to spend in direct Mission work myself an amount equal to the sum the Association have realized from the property made over to its treasurer for the use of the Association. And I will demonstrate two or three problems which it seems hard to prove without demonstrating. And while I labour on the proceeds of that property I will hold myself bound to report my labours to you. and will be accountable to you for my moral conduct but I would be free to mark out my own plan of labour & follow it without interruption. I do not ask this with the most remote idea of a claim on you I ask it as a grace. It is your right to do as you please in this matter. but I feel that you would not misuse this amount by making such an appropriation of it. My plan of spending it I will give you in few words. I would locate myself on the center of some cluster of villages & give my whole time to preaching to them the Gospel.

Dear Brother let me lay off for a moment all personal interest in this Mission so far as I can with my very heart bound up in it. And allow me to seem at least to be a looker on. While I pen a few thoughts. Your Mission stands upon a turning point from which it is destined to go on to certain & glorious achievements or take a backward march to ruin. It is for you to say which direction it shall take. And I assure you that there is no mortal power which can give it a healthy tone but the Exec. Com. You must lay your own hands to this work, or all will totter & fall. The first thing to be done is to make your missionary work here a model after the Apostolic missions. To do this you must let go of the names, forms, Communion, and Schools as they are now conducted. and give your strength to preaching.

Mark a single passage from one of Mr. Thompson's letters published in the Water Cure Journal for March 1856. Since I came out to Africa last, (now nearly two years, says Mr T.) I have done the full work of three men; as much as three men ought to be required to do in this country. Almost continually I have preached from five to 8 times a week, besides attending numerous other meetings have managed a farm of one hundred acres, all with the hoe, provides food, &c, for nearly one hundred souls, built houses, made brick, sawed timber, quarried stone, burnt lime, laid brick &c, and at manual labor in the quarry, &c or cutting timber, I could do as much as any three men that could be found. Compare this with the great commission of our Savior, with the conduct of the disciples when chosen. "They left their nets & followed him". With Pauls letter to Timothy where he says "No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier. And if a man also strive for masteries, yet is he not crowned except he strive lawfully." In the passage from Mr T's letter are some very important disclosures, first as to expence. Cultivation of 100 acres of land by hired help, with the hoe, to feed a 100 months, & it fails so it is necessary to "provide food &c for the 100 souls, & build houses" make "brick saw timber quarry stone burn lime lay brick &c" for the comfort of these 100 eaters, first to raise a class of native teachers & preachers the former of which will be a burden to the Mission for the people are not prepared to sustain them. Now I ask are these things by Xn. Christians you sustain such proceedings & call it a Missionary Effort. As well might the farmer expect to reap & provide in the harvest for his family & stock for the winter while he allows his own & neighbors stock to run at large in his grain and grass fields as to expect to do the work of a Mission upon such a plan as this.

I do not single out this passage because Mr Thompson wrote but because it is the

If you have one boarding school here in connection with your Mission with from 12 to 24 pupils I think it is all we could conscientiously devote to that object. Any thing of missionary effort than the Evangelical plan will result in an entire failure or [illegible] Church. It cannot be otherwise.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. _____
FISK UNIV.

You tell us, dear Brother that we must make these changes but how can we do so with views so widely differing as your Missionaries have entertained. Can you not account for this difference of opinion, I think they can be accounted for by circumstances over which you had control. Look at the Scholarship plan of raising money, the colony plan of missionary effort, which you, through your agent have advocated, & the sending of men & women here to farm, teach schools & commending trade farming, & mechanical pursuits, as means of self support. What is more easily to be understood, than that Gods plan of supporting his ministers & Missionaries is by the tithing of the church? Would we have our Mission self supporting, raise up a church by preaching the gospel? We have it. But any is out of the question to remain the evil here as we have been circumstanced but you really claim & act upon the right of dictating to us, which for my own part I most fully respect. As an instance of this I will cite the case of Miss. Sim- She stands suspended by the mission of charging her associates with most glaring crimes. You take action on that question, reinstate her, give her an appointment & the liberty of occupying a station which she in concert with the three members of the Mission voted to give up to native help before she makes any apology for her uncalled for abuse & we are asked to concur in this appointment & if we have any objections to state them, the very nature of the case was all the assurance you could have asked that we could not approve of such a step though we may & doubtless shall submit to it, for I hold what you by this act assert your right to manage your Mission and so long as we serve you we must obey your instructions.

Brooks.

Rev. T. S. Brooks. 1862 12/56

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. A-2403
FISK UNIV.

Danville Iowa Sept 15/51.

Dear Brother Whipple,

I send you two letters to be forwarded to Fentown.
My health is improving, and (though my friends think I had better not return to Africa till Spring) I think that I can with safety return to my labors this fall.
I think that on account of my having taken those children, and had the principal care of them from the first, that Mrs B. & I can probably get along better with them than any other persons. I wish to know as soon as possible what you think best about it, and shall remain here till I can hear.

Mr Nathan as assisted us at the Mission in a great many ways, without charge. I suppose that 100 dollars in cash would not have bought the assistance he has given, and it was the opinion of all of us at the mission, that there should

D. W. Burton

Danville Knox
Sept 15 1869

be an acknowledgement of it in the Missionary, and I would suggest that you acknowledge say 25 dollars as a donation from him, and charge the same to Abyssinian Mission.

If we go on to Africa this fall, I would like to know of it soon enough to spend a little time in Ohio, with Mrs Officer, Kumler & Shuey.

Mrs Burton is well.

Very truly Yours D. W. Burton.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-2404
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Mission Station
Sherbro Island West Africa
Sept. 15th 1856

Rec'd Dec 25th 1856

Lewis Tappan Esqr Treas. A. M. A.

My Venerable and much esteemed Friend — Before me lies your numerous letters, the last dates being July 21st. My recent illness has prevented a reply by mail - informing you of the safe arrival of the goods you so kindly sent us. They were received at Freetown in good condition, but there being shipped on an irresponsible man's vessel to be brought here, will occasion us a loss of several boxes of Graham Biscuit & a few other articles injured, I be considder however that we are fortunate in not loosing more, on account of the leaky condition of the Vessel. These things cannot well be avoided, as Mr. Eggidio done his best.

I have read your letters several times, by your rule and in contrast with circumstances, and can only find in them the honest expression of your sentiments as you entertained them when you wrote, this to me is very acceptable and though I may differ with you on some points, I certainly respect you the more for the expression of them; there certainly has been too much non-commitalism among the missionaries, that has missled the Ex. Com. and been the cause of many misunderstandings. Such I do not think is the fault in my letters, they may be so plain as to admit of misconstruction, and not unfrequently need some restraint. But if you will be kind enough to look at the whole train of circumstances, by which I have been affected since my

arrival at the mission, and then place yourself in the same situation, and you will not surprised at my pungent letters. However the desired object is being effected and that is all I desired, should there then be a redundancy beyond the accomplishment thereof - in any thing I have written I take it all back and ask your pardon or any one else whom I have offended. The truth is Bro. Tappan that this mission needed some fearless character, who dared to uproot the rottenness that characterised its operations, and whether I am that "individual" or not, I shall ever thank God that I came here, and I must beg the liberty of thinking of my associates, either former or present, just as their actions show forth their intentions and I want them to judge me by the same rule. That cloak of charity which most men throw over the sins of others, is a very ragged one and shows more than it hides, because not a scriptural one. Am I not right in saying that if the church required holy living of its membership there would be less of the spirit of the world in it — But to more pressing matters.

Your remarks in refference to Mr. Whipple are awnsered in his letter. also the "Federal Letter" pallaver. If in my letters I have manifested a want of respect for or confidence in him I am sorry for it. a further acquaintance with the character of the missionaries in the field, has changed my opinions of their merits and demerits.

I am satisfied and more than satisfied with your action in refference to the removal of Hau-Mendi Station. It has brought about a revolution in your action as Executive Committee and will yet leaven the mission. You could not have received the letter that I have heard were written, or you would not be so surprised at the expense of this mission. H. M. Station cost $1100 the last yr. of 1855.

Sept. 16th I am writing by the bedside of a dying man - One of the crew of the "Estelle", which has been lying in our river for several weeks and whose Captain will kindly take our letters, and who will call at the rooms of the association himself, to deliver them.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES NO. F-7405 FISK UNIV.

This sick stranger was attacked about a (mss. 6 & 7) ago, I was called to see him and three more of the crew who were all sick abed, the done the best we could and relieved all of them at the time. I visited him again the next day, and found him better, but for several days thereafter I was so unwell and the rain almost poured down, so as to prevent my going to see him, only at the risk of my own life; during this time he grew worse and the Mate (acting Captain) gave him Tartar Emetic which I have no doubt done him great injury, the Capt. did it ignorantly however. He was brought here yesterday morning, speechless and unconscious, and since 10 P.M. yesterday he has been sinking and will doubtless die tonight. The other three are doing well. We brought another here to day who will leave on the 18th with the vessel. We thought it our duty to care for the wanderers from home and God and if anything we can do, will lead them to repentance God shall have the glory. Our practice has the confidence of many native chiefs, and I think has been the instrument in Gods providence in saving King Caulker from a drunkards grave, and so influenced him as to make him anxious to have a station on the Plantain Islands. We have not visited them yet. Should I build a house there it will be a very cheap one, and I will wait your decission before I pay anything for the place. William B. Tucker will write to you about his matters

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You seem to think strange that I should say that the present company of missionaries would resign if such conduct as I referred to was upheld; and beg me not to insist on its being read to the committee. What I write Bro. Tappan I am willing should be read anywhere, but to save your feelings, my venerable friend, I do not ask you to do any thing that would be offensive to a "Com. of judicious men." Will you be kind enough to grant me the same privilege, as for instance shall I keep a secret that the bills of Exchange drawn by the directions of a company of missionaries who labor without any remuneration save the necessaries of life, are protested when sent home. The most of that money was spent in Freetown where several of them lay sick abed not able to do anything to earn their bread. I did not keep it a secret - and thank God I find a "self sacrificing spirit" among them sufficient to meet such exigencies. One would eat no meat, another would do without light, another would eat rice & palm oil, and all are willing to sell the stock of goods you have been kind enough to send us recently to pay the protested bills. We have stock enough on hand and can sell it readily enough to save ourselves from uncomfortable quarters, and those bill shall be paid if I have to part with every saleable article I have. Do you see Bro. Tappan we are used to such things, and have been "addressed in this way before"; or rather those who walk golden streets have been. We will not be discouraged yet.

As to the "authority" for me to do any thing at all in this mission I have never seen the first line, and Mrs. More was aware of it when she signed the resolutions to tear it down (J. M.). I refer to that as my authority for that act. I hope never again to be compelled to refer to this pallaver.

Referring again to Bills of Exchange — Your instructions as to drawing anymore until advised by you shall be strictly carried out. We owe Mr. Ezzidio between £50 & £60 over and above the £200 I will herewith send you a duplicate bill or account current for the £200 and the overplus. We are not responsible for an item of £5 & some shillings named in the acct. and will not pay it. There is also several other slight errors in it. Beside this we owe Mr. Nathan our neighbor Factor about £100, whereof I send you also an acct. current until July 1st. 56 This bill we will also try to settle with Canoes, goods &c. and hereafter we will endeavor to "retrench expenses", not however "by going to Freetown to hire comfortable Quarters" but by reducing the cause of expenses. The amount drawn by my "personal order", was while we were in Freetown sick: out of it & and often more of us lived, beside bore the expenses of the canoe coming to town frequently. It seems to me strange that you never calculated the expense of finishing Mo-Tappan House, and building a large addition to this house. They have been the large items of expense during the past year. another is the very high price of provissions, rice and every thing else which we use in our families and for the children. Look at this estimate. Each child eats 12 bu of rice per year at 6s. per bu. £3.12.0

Palm oil, Fish, Cassadia, occasionally bush meat, & sweet potatoes, Cows, 3.0.0

Clothing 5 suits per year at $2 = £2.5.0, washing per annum £1.5.0, school bills £2.15.0

We have 70 Boarding scholars at $15.80 per annum = $32.06 (at this rate) Each costs $5.80 = £7.6.8

Then add to this £10.10 for 3 native Teachers per month £126 or $604.80 + 2 superintendants £7.10.0 per annum $432 + 1 Interpreter £12 per annum $57.60 + 18 workmen at £1 the month at 20 the £90 per annum $432 + Item of washing for Mr. Pipkin's family Stations £20 per month or £240 per annum = $1152 + Housekeeper £18 = £30 or 144 + 4 Carpenters £9.10 per month £30 or $144 + Cook £12 per annum, £10 = £20 per annum or $576. In all $6304.40 at African prices (High time for retrenchment)

I have not in this estimate made any provissions for the missionaries themselves, except cooking & washing. All my estimates are at African retail prices. I gave an estimate of sallaries after the same rule. Mr. Brooks goes to town tomorrow to make arrangements to pay the protested Bills. If the sallaries are determined on, let them be sent in quarterly bills of Exchange payable in England, or N.Y. at sight, we can then cash them. Mark I do not disapprove of Boarding schools, in principle, only as a matter of policy. Let not the no. of pupils be increased. If the Com. approve of a house being built at Plantain Islands, & see fit to give me charge, let that be the recruiting station instead of Freetown it is far more healthy. Any profit that may be made by such arrangement as having the sallaried Missionaries pay their board during sickness, shall be expended as mission money, but the amt. per week should be as low as possible. By-the-by as the mission funds are so low - any personal articles I have ordered need not be sent. I will deny myself of them. As to sending you an estimate or bill of what is needed, or for what a bill of Exchange is drawn, it will not be necessary under the sallary arrangement, only for building houses and paying for stations. We confidently expect the sallaries and will make arrangements to that purpose, with Mr. Eggidio for any thing that may be consigned to him prior to our hearing from you. We have already withdrawn his sallary for clerk, and will do job work only with him. We can sell at once articles to the amount of £120 and in a short time could close out the most of our debts. This thing of protesting bill "costs more than it comes too." So that we will do nothing at all in that line until we hear from you. As learn what you wrote to Mr. Eggidio.

We are a little disappointed in the matter of leaving Charlie in New York. What arrangements have you made? According to the laws of New York he is legally our child and what would be necessary to be done to get him a permanent home. I will write to his relatives at Troy N.Y. about him and should they write to you, be kind enough to send him on to them. I feel quite well today, my cough is not so distressing, and I am gaining strength. That man has died and was buried this morning without hope & without God. —— I believe I have mentioned all the important items of business concerning the mission, and trust they will meet with prompt responses from the Ex. Com.

With christian regards of Mrs. C & myself to Mrs. Tappan and yourself I am Yours in Christ, David J. Lee

No. 4400

No. 1

Sierra Leone, September 15th 1856

Exchange for £200.0.0 Stg

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-7406
FISK UNIV.

At sight pay this First of Exchange Second and third of the same tenor and date not paid to the order of Messrs Thomas Morgan & Son the sum of Two Hundred Pounds Sterling in lieu of Two Hundred Pounds Bill drawn in my favor by Mr D. W. Burton dated at Sierra Leone the 14th May 1856 and in accordance with Mr Tappan's letter of instruction dated New York 21st July 1856.

To Lewis Tappan Esq
Treas. A. M. Association
48 Bulkman Street
New York.

[signature]

John Forrestier
draft 15th Sept 1856
for £200
drawn in lieu of the
Bantam draft

Wrote to him 28th Oct
that I have had the draft
for which this was
drawn

John Ezzidio
Africa
17 Sept. 1856
Rec'd 27 Oct.
28 Oct.
Lewis
L.T.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-2409
FISK UNIV.

St. George's Cathedral.
John Ezzidio. General Merchant.
378. George's St. City of Freetown.
Sierra Leone. September 17th 1856.

Per "Landaco"

Lewis Tappan Esq
New York

My Dear Sir/

I have received your letter of the 24th July last, stating that the draft for £200 drawn in my favor by Mr D. W. Burton is not accepted by you:- on the ground that the holders have recourse upon you to pay 1005$ 24 Ct. after 30 days.

It appears that my Agent to whom I remitted the Bill had disposed of it and after walking from land to hand it was finally made over to Messrs Burnet Hoare & Co.

The Value of the Bill is 960$ and not $1005-24

and

and it was not drawn in dollars so as to alter the rate of exchange but was drawn for £200 which is equal to $960 at 4/2 each dollar. I have written to my agent to explain to him that its non acceptance was owing to Messrs Burnet Hoare & Co requiring an amount of more than the value of the Bill according to your letter.

I think you would have obliged me if you had told Messrs Burnet Hoare & Co that you would accept the Bill for £200 and offer them the amount and not allow the Bill to be protested which you are aware could not be done without extra expence, loss of time, and interest of money. but although I am not put in possession of the amount of the expences attending its protestation yet I shall be obliged to charge you with those expences. Mr. Burton being in New York will be able to explain to you the manner in which my business with the mission is conducted it being principally cash transaction as may be seen by a reference to the accounts excepting a few Articles which are of no great amount

and

and besides my service and no interest given me for the money I lay out.

The interest on the Bills I have now received from the Mendi Mission I will be obliged to charge to You for I perceive when a Bill is drawn on you at 30 days sight it is generally your custom after the expiration of that Period to make further term on it by giving another Bill of exchange at 60 days sight on London and by so doing you have incurred for your non convenience additional expences on my part inasmuch as there is interest of money paid on Bills for the Period of time after they are due of which I doubt not you are well aware. therefore after I have learnt the particulars relative to the Overplus of time on the Bills that were drawn on you in my favor for the expenditure of the Mission I shall render my A/c for interest on them as are charged to me. As Mr Burton is now with you You will please enquire whether it has ever been the understanding between us that Bills drawn on you

undergo

undergo another rate of time more than that — it specified in them here. He will certainly tell you that such was not the case. consequently you will perceive that it is your fault to pay extra expences on them.

I beg in the receipt of this if the Papers, and the Pictures to be framed with the books to be bound are not yet completed and forwarded I shall be much obliged to you by your seeing them sent by the earliest opportunity.

Agreeably to the instructions contained in your letter I have drawn a Bill on you for £200.0.0. in favor of my Agents Messrs Thos Morgan & Son of London at Sight. and I think you will cash the same when presented.

The goods per "George H. Townsend" have arrived and according to your instructions they were measured here and the freight paid at 6/3 per 5 cubic feet which amounted to £16.11.3

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I enclose a copy of the receipt I obtained on paying the freight together with an account of the measurement.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7408
FISK UNIV.

Dr Lee wrote a letter to me dated Port Elizabeth Augt 24th in which he stated that they are "entering into a new plan of Missionary labour and they will not so much need an Agent in my "Capacity." At the same time requested me to render my A/c and whatever be the balance he will give me a Bill on you for the Amount. I have sent him the A/c which shows a balance in my favor of about £59 but I have not heard from him as yet. As soon as I hear from him I shall forward a copy to you. You will perceive by this that I am no longer your Agent according to this letter: but I am still a friend to you and the Mission.

I am Dear Sir
Your Obt Servt
J. A. Wilson

John Eggleston
Sept 17. 1850

A.M.A. ARCHIVES
NO. 12409
FISK UNIV.

St. Georges Cathedral.
John Ezzidio. General Merchant.
378. Georges St. City of Freetown.
Sierra Leone. September 17th 1856

George Whipple Esqr.

Dear Sir

I have received your Kind letter bearing date the 19th July last informing me that at Mr. Pinney's request you have succeeded in recommending me to a House in New York for the purpose of conducting business according to my wish; in reply I have to tender you many thanks for your very Kind service in my behalf and beg you would accept the same for Messrs. Pinney & Burton who have communicated to you my intention on that subject. I would be glad

if

if you will convey my sense of gratitude to Mr. Belden the late Assistant Treasurer at whose suggestion you proceeded with Mr. Burton to Mr. Thomas Rigney the gentleman to whom you introduced me.

I hope the business we have now commenced will be to our mutual advantage.

As I learnt from your letter that Mr. Burton has already handed my order to Mr. Rigney and that he has engaged to execute it, I expect soon to hear from you and hope also to receive the Articles contained in the order.

As I am in need of a copy of Webster's Dictionary unabridged I therefore beg to ask you the favor to send me one to be of the latest Edition for which I shall feel obliged.

I remain
Gentlemen
Your Obt. Servt
J. W. Smith

A. M. A. ARCH. FE
NO.
FISK UNIV.

✓ Wm Brooks Tucker
18 Sept 1866
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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. P-1410
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Mission House
Sept 18th 1856

Mr Lewis Tappan Esq
Treasurer of the A. M. A.

Dear Friend

I am thankful to God for another opportunity of writing to you. while many of our fellow beings are this day denied such privelege. we can hear from and write to each other.

Since I last wrote you. I have been up to Mo Tappan again. and spent nearly all the time in teaching the school. until lately, when Mr Brooks sent up to have me come down and live at God Hope. to teach the out school and write out the Mendi and Sherbro Languages. that they might learn them and thereby be enabled to do more good. We hope and pray God to bless the feeble efforts of the few laborers remaining in this field. for He works not by many. but by few —

Since I came in this Mission. I spent the first three or four years at Kaw Mendi. but most of the other time. I have lived at Mo Tappan. sometimes in other places and occasionally I went to Kaw Mendi to see friends and brothers. having my Studies with me wherever I went. so you see that what education I have received. is from no one particular place. but from places wherever I have gone — and it is God that has taught me by making every one that I have lived with. willing to help me in my Studies. Most of the time I have lived with Mr Brooks. and have been brought up under him.

Many times I have regretted my incompetency and wished I had known more than I do — but I can thank God for what little I have learned. for many companions. friends

and brothers of mine, with as precious a soul, are this day without a gleam of this sacred light and knowledge of an eternal God.

At my first attempt to write, I wrote you with a desire to go to America and be educated, but you thought I had better remain in the Mipsin, do my best to be educated, and from that time I have not written or said a word about it to anyone. Last year Mr Brooks was about making a visit home, and I was to go with him and study till we came back to Africa. But when we came down to Good Hope, from Mo Tappan, Mrs Brooks was taken sick and died shortly after our arrival, and Mr Brooks having been unwell too, was taken to Freetown to recruit his health, from here I went up to Kaw Mendi to wait for him and kept on studying. When he came back we were to go back to Mo Tappan. During my stay at Kaw-Mendi, Mr Thompson was about going home and to take several of the boys (two have gone & one & I are left.) He choose three boys. And a few days after, he asked me to go with him and study three years and then come back to Africa, without my asking him, or doing any thing to gain that favor of him. I was willing — and at that time the ladies were fixing and getting ready for us to go to America. The news had gone all round that we were going to America. During this time, Mr Thompson told us that if we went, he would pay our passage, but in America we should pay for our schooling and boarding, and clothe ourselves, because he was taking us off without the consent of the Committee. When he was gone to Liberia, I went up to Mo Tappan. And when he came, he asked me to go with him, but I refused, because the Committee did not want us to go, and so he went and I remained.

I have not asked any one to take me to America nor had the thought of asking, since you wrote me thus.

The school at Kaw Mendi has greatly decreased in number of scholars. Many have been turned out — many have gone home to their parents on account of bad deportment. — none fitted or qualified for usefulness — The school now is composed of children only, who have hope and trust, shall be trained in the "way that they should go." so that when they are old, they will not depart from it. — Pray for the success of this Mission, and for the outpouring of the Spirit. God bless and hear our prayers for this Mission.

I love to always live in the Mission. My heart loves the work. Pray for me — Write me when you can —

Love to Wife —

I am your true friend

Wm Brooks Tucker

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7411
FISK UNIV.

18 Sept 6

Nathaniel Nathan, Esq
Sherbro, West Africa

Dear Sir,

Rev. John S. Brooks is now the only person in Africa in the service of the Amer. Miss'y. Asso'n whose drafts we wish you to accept, or whose orders you will execute for goods &c. unless he should substitute some other person to act as his attorney.

We do not wish any draft to be forwarded to a larger amount than One hundred pounds sterling & not at intervals shorter than 30 days sight of possible to avoid it. Let the rests be at 50 days sight of consular & never less than 30 days sight.

Yours
Lewis Tappan
Treasurer

, 18 Sept 6.

John Ezzidio, Esq

Dear Sir,

Rev. John S. Brooks is now the only person in Africa in the service of the Amer. Board. Assn. whose drafts we wish you to receive, or whose orders you will execute for goods &c. unless he should substitute some other person to act as his attorney.

We do not wish any draft to be forwarded to a larger amount than one hundred pounds sterling & not at intervals shorter than [illegible]ty days if possible to avoid it. Let the drafts be at fifty days sight of consignment, & never less than thirty days sight.

Yours by yours
Lewis Pattan
Treasurer

Your bills will be forwarded first opportunity.

Maj. S. G. McIntosh
Good Hope Station
C. Sept 18/56

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. D-7142
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope. Sept 18th/56

Mr Whipple.

Dear Brother.

Your kind letter was gratefully received. I think you must feel anxiety on the account of my health longer. I have had no attacks of fever since early in the spring, but have been troubled with the ague by exposure, which was not altogether necessary. But I am beginning to learn that I cannot do here as at home. I like my field much, with the exception of trouble between missionaries. It is no wonder you think we act as children. Yet if you were conducting as I think Little Children ought we all well. I feel that we have

truly been in the furnace, & that heated seven times hotter than it is wont to be & dear Sister I fear that we are there still, could you see Mrs Jeffs letter addressed to Mrs Bolton I think your heart would be deeply grieved as ours has been. It is my sincere prayer daily that God will purge all the dross from our hearts, and make us Christ like in all our thoughts & acts. We are highly pleased with the stand that the Synod, the Comm - have taken relative to the regulations of the mission. Excuse this brief note as the barque sails shortly which bears this to you. The children in my department are all improving rapidly, & more extended account ere long.

Yours in friendship

S. G. McIntosh

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✓ Mrs Lee

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Mrs Tappan

Kind Friend.

Your letter has been received and was appreciated for its frankness. In regard to the authority given us by the Ex Com to pose K. Mendi house and change its policy we never thought of such a thing much less to assert or assume such authority. On our arrival at K. M. before I seated myself I told my husband that I regarded it presumptuous to attempt to stop at the place for I had no idea from its location and the fested air with which I was quite suffocated that we could live there. He immediately communicated this to Mr Thompson and for the first time to the surprise of all the Company he yielded to our sugges-

* Why Mendi not go on Cannot to do it?

-tions, in a few days after our arrival a meeting of the Missionaries was called and Mr I drafted the resolutions which were forwarded to you. All that we told them on that occasion was that so far as we had conversed with individual members of the Com and patrons of the Society that the unanimous opinion was that if B. Mn was as unhealthy as they had an idea it was that it would be politic to remove it and that you had told us if we found it to be thus unhealthy that we might use our influence to that effect. We realised it to be worse than we had anticipated and accordingly used our influence and not usurped authority to accomplish it. In Japan we had been occupied responsible & honorable positions so termed by the world in our native land enough to convince us that the honor accruing from impor

-tant and useful callings were more than counterbalanced by care, anxiety and not unfrequently the loss of reputation, hence, I leave you to judge of the common sense and phylosophy [illegible] in seeking such positions nomify, if [illegible] had not had any experience in these false trimmings at home we have had enough of them here to arouse the indignation and contempt of an honest idiot. Our object in coming here was not to puff & blow. We will leave that for those who are not as well adapted to labor. I highly approve of a remark that you made in a letter to Mr T just before he left us" that you would be compelled to give up the Mission or send out a higher grade of Missionaries" While I dislike fundery and affectation of any kind my feelings have been deeply wounded at the many ludicrous and disgusting

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actions of most of our associates, and I can not consent to labor in this mission longer if its policy in this particular is not changed, let every family have their own private habitation and keep their family affairs to themselves, living at some distance apart treating each other with respect, living as neighbors and not using that common familiarity practised here (to the entire absence of love from principle) which always breeds contempt with the refined and elevated.

From what I have been an eye witness to as well as from some of the fruits scattered abroad the produce of seeds sown before our arrival, I have not the least doubt but some of the Ro that you have sent here sole object was a reputation abroad, if not in one or more instances personal. If this was our object our straight forward

and candid course has gained us the reverse, and when I think seriously of the matter I blush instead of crowing at the backward progress that we have made in this particular, and should we be the humble instruments in stir-ring up your pure minds to alter these things which have grown principally out of having all things in common the refined and well meaning being compelled to make a pig of himself in order ~~that~~ that he may not offend the vulgar and sly mind of his associ-ate who is watching every opportu-nity to resent it personally, such as by passing you by at the table helping everyone else to what is near them but you, or some other little revengeful dirty, low, contemptible trick; These and like things have been practised

in this mission from what I can learn all or most of the time during its existence, and I assure you that they are kept up even now out of a company of s. hence the result, do what you think best, or rather as you please, and help yourself to what you want, have no responsible heads to a family, but all are masters & mistresses, so it goes clatter, clatter, helter skelter, Should you deem it best to let us remain here and give us charge of some place we may select and put up a temporary habitation with a salary sufficient to defray needful expenses we will labor in the fear of the Head of the Church, and communicate to you the results of our labors so far as we are able to judge impartially whether for good or evil. My health is good. We have

had 3 of the crew of the Barque Estella in our charge at the Mission for medical treatment and have visited the Barque daily which lies 3 miles from us to attend to others. They had all taken quinine every morning since they arrived on the coast and in the onset of there illness an Emetic of Tartar and a dose of Calomel, 2 were in a dying condition when we brought them off. We buried one of them on the 17th and the other on the 18th one living 48 and the other 24 hours after they were landed, on these 2 we labored in vain, except to render them the comforts which they could not have on board and a decent burial. The others have recovered and are doing well. Capt Mc. Cluse of said Barque was very kind to them, had them all in the cabin and gave them all the attention he could. I have written very hastily to Mrs Ly spoke of Charley. I send some of his and Capt McCluse's respectfully. M. Lee

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St. George's Cathedral.

John Ezzidio. General Merchant.
378. Georges St. City of Freetown.
Sierra Leone. October 20th 1856

Per "Niger"

Lewis Tappan Esqr.

Dear Sir

By this opportunity I hasten to enclose you the account between the Mendi Mission and myself which shows a balance of £83. 12. 0¼ in my favor for which Mr Brooks has settled by giving me a bill drawn on you for that amount at 30 days after sight, which I trust

I trust will be paid after the expiration of the thirty days. I hope there will be no additional term put to it when it is due as was done to the former Bills.

You will see per the a/c enclosed the manner the money has been laid out and the length of time in which it was received before the bill was given in payment, hence there need not be any delay about its settlement whenever ~~it~~ becomes due.

I am not a little surprised to find from communication from England that notwithstanding your letter to me of the 20th July informing me of the reasons which ~~y~~led you to refuse to accept the bill of £200.0.0 drawn by Mr Burton and requesting me to draw on you at sight for the above amount and which instructions I lost no

time

time in adhereing thereto, you should have paid £200.0.0 Sterling to the holders of that bill. Unforeseen circumstances led me just at that time to draw the £200. Bill at sight in favor of another party different from those to whom Mr Burton's Bill was forwarded fully believing that you would let the matter stand still until you heard from me. You having paid the £200.0.0 on Mr Burton's bill has placed me in anything but pleasant position. There has been no small difficulty and expense in connection with the bill in question which latter I trust you will make good in addition to whatever expenses may be incurred on my Bill at sight. The party to whom it was forwarded will doubtless transmit it to New York for payment but which will not be paid so that it will be returned protested.

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I must therefore repeat that such expenses of protestation must be met by yourself as I cannot be blamed in the matter. My instructions for the withdrawal of that bill will not arrive in England in time to prevent it being sent to America, and the impression made on the minds of the holders of that bill cannot be anything but very unfavorable.

I enclose the letter of advice for the bill given by the Rev. Jno. P. Brooks which will prepare you to meet the same when presented.

I beg that you will not lose sight of the unabridged copy of Webster's Dictionary which I wrote for by my last communication.

I remain Sir
Your Obd. Servant
John Smith

Jno. Smith to
20 Oct '66
W. Ford
London
27 Nov. 66
Only 30 days
from Africa
via London!
Ans
28 Nov.

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Good Hope Mission Station
Cherbro Sierra Leone W.A.
Sept. 23rd 1856

Rev. George Whipple

Cor. Sec. A. M. A. New York

Dear Bro.

After the undesirable correspondence on the several topics brought before you in our letters by the Estelle & Townsend which my hope has closed, I have time to look at some things connected with our operations here in a calm and collected manner and which I desire to lay before you. I must acknowledge that I feel much more liberty in writing to Mr. Tappan owing to a more intimate acquaintance with him; but I direct these letters to you that you may compare them with those you have received from Bro. Brooks. I do not wish to be understood as writing to oppose his views, nor in opposition to him personally. I would state that he read only extracts to me, of some of his letters, and that he will not see mine at all, as he is now in Freetown. I have no knowledge of the commencement of the present views he entertains respecting boarding & other schools - nor do I know all he has said about them to you. But I do know that they are quite different, what I have heard of them, from what he entertained in January last, as he then wrote a most lucid defence of the present plan - to his Brotherinlaw who opposed it. ——— Bro. Whipple I am really in an unenviable position. "I would do good", but how to do it I am puzzled to know - I believe that the good sense & judgement of the missionaries should settle their plans and steadily pursue them - But Bro. Brooks has no stability of character to be depended on in

the pursuance of any plan whatever. I do not say this in a derogatory spirit nor to find fault with him, neither that he is unworthy of confidence, but simply because it is a fact - and because of the injury the want of fixedness of purpose, does this good cause - I need not illustrate, you must have seen the changable nature of the plans he is always laying. But to the point - Are Boarding schools & day schools of primary or secondary importance in this mission, - As a matter of policy I have already answered in a former letter - The answer to the above must be based on one of these two grounds - either that the people must be taught English or that we must learn their Language - If the first is the fundamental principle of missionary effort here - then schools are our prime object - if the latter, then they are secondary.

A nation or part of them cannot be evangelized and made consistent, upright Christians without the word of God, written or printed, as their guide, and in the language usually spoken - hence the importance of our efforts to give them the Bible in some language - Now the assumed policy of this mission has been to teach them to read English - and at once they have access to the fountain of present christain literature, as well as the Bible.

To carry out this plan - we accomplish - if we do any thing effectual - the civilization & christianization of the people by one effort, or rather by continued efforts. You may ask, is that the result of the efforts that have been put forth by the mission? to a small extent it is. But so little has been done with any definite object in view, that as a consequence, but little has been accomplished. The English language, if extensively known and spoken must accomplish more toward the civilization of this people than the futile efforts a few missionaries, may put forth in

their short lives at preaching in their tongue. Most families who have been under the influence of the mission and learned English from us are certainly more elevated than those who have had the gospel preached to them and efforts made for their conversion in that way: though, if I may be allowed to make a comparison of the kind, I must confess that those who have been converted, with one or two exceptions, by the latter plan of giving them the gospel are by far the most consistent christians. The married mission girls & boys have, as a general thing, not manifested the fruits of their superior priveledges, though the few that do are the most useful persons in the mission. I might instance William B. Tucker who has lately married, and who promises to make an excellent preacher, while his wife though educated in the mission, is a perfect shrew & a barrier in his way. Those persons, and there are a great many, who understand and speak English, who are scattered all over the country as traders, are generally the most vile & unscrupulous of men, though many of them professors of religion (from Sierra Leone) and very obliging to us, they sow the seeds of vice & disease wherever they have an influence — Shall we endeavor to spread a knowledge of English & the virtues of godly examples in order in part to protect them from these characters, as well as give them access to Gods word: or shall we devote our attention to the Sherbro & Mendi Languages, that we may preach to them in their native tongue? To so great an extent is the English understood on this Island and throughout the Sherbro country (proper) that pure Sherbro is no longer spoken. While the Mendi, not so subject to innovations, because more perfect in itself, is spoken in its purity, by tribes as far toward the interior as white man has ever gone. Sherbro is comparatively easily learned:

Mendi would be rather difficult, but is a better language. A higher grade of ideas can be conveyed & in a more explicit manner than either Timney or Sherbro. The Mandingo, Foulah, Soo-Soo's are each abundant in Arabic words and ideas; they are Mahomedan languages. The Mendi is deficient in those words which convey ideas of the character of Deity, and any of the emotions of the mind, most of the latter are conveyed by signs. It is not a language tending to elevate the mind, and a translation of the bible into would be but a very poor interpretation of such glowing elevating & ennobling views and emotions as it inspires. We are frequently asked by other missionaries why do you not reduce the Mendi to a written language - We reply that in our opinion it would be a waste of life, money & time; while we are doing that we could teach half the children to read the English. And have an abundant supply of books ready for them when taught.

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But says Bro. Brooks - The Master's command was not to go teach school - For my part I cannot see the difference (yes I can too) between reducing a very poor language to writing then translating, printing, then teaching teachers, after which teach the children (the adults will never learn) to read it, with all its imperfections; than teach them the best of languages prepared, with some prepared to teach it, & an abundant supply of material to teach with, with all things only awaiting an increase of effort on the part of Christains at home and missionaries here, to accomplishe so desirable a purpose. What has been done by this mission toward translating or reducing these two languages to writing? during the last 5 months about 20 pages of a vocabulary have been written, but not a lesson learned out of it!

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Should we succeed in learning either of the Mendi or Shabe dialects sufficiently well to preach in them great good might be done to the present generation and many souls might be saved, who else will perish. But to abandon our schools and turn our attention to that plan entirely does not meet my views at all - nor will it, Bro Brooks' six months hence, he is at present on the ultra side of native Africanism; and you will perceive in almost direct opposition to that policy which Bro. Burton tells us in his letter will probably be adopted by the Ex. Com - as a basis for our operations here. I would prefer a medium course - Bro. Burton is especially adapted to carry out his plan, while perhaps no one else would be willing to undertake it. Whether Bro. Brooks can carry out his plan remains to be seen. I think it highly necessary to adapt the work assigned with refference to the ability of the laborer to perform it; accordingly it would be well to let Bro. Burton go on with his boarding school operations while greater discretion should be used as to the ultra point of the other plan. I agree with Bro. Brooks, that schools be our primary object, they should not be laid on ordained ministers as their especial work, to the neglect of preaching, which should be the paramount object. I love teaching and would much like to devote some of my time, had I a proper location, to that object. But since my first illness my health has not been sufficient for the undertaking. At the same time I would like to learn the languages of the country. One thing must be borne in mind that white missionaries will never give the gospel

to the untold millions of inhabitants of this continent, who have never heard of Christ, and never will as long as mammon & the pleasures of life are sought after and adored instead of God, as they now are by christians generally & ministers particularly. What then is the duty of those who are enlisted in this work? Shall we spend our strength & lives in proclaiming Christ to the present generation? or shall we still continue to labor to raise up native Teachers & Preachers? Does past success, or want of it, justify us in ~~continued~~ still further efforts in that line? All these are questions which are constantly on my mind, and should be settled. We have 6 or 8 Boys a Kau-mendi, of whom I have hopes of usefulness, though not all of them are pious, & even those profestly so, are not consistent, but what is to be done with them? At present we have not the means of giving them trades, and they should have better instruction than a native Teacher can give, if we intend to do any thing with them as Teachers. I feel it my duty to preach; shall I confine myself to their tuition, or as soon as my health permits & I get a boat, visit from town to town & house to house preaching & conversing with the people?

This Sherbro country lies between Sierra Leone & Liberia & is the outlet of an immense amount of native produce. In 25 years either the Liberians or English will possess it. There is now no government & all things are tending to one of those results with this in view what kind of effort shall we put forth? I have thus briefly sketched a few thoughts, some of them I think deserve your attention. You are at liberty to publish anything worthy in this letter, to which I earnestly desire the attention of the Ex. Com. That we may henceforth labor with definite object in view. Yours in Christ

David J. Lee

Rev. Dr. Lee has had a severe attack of the fever but is recovering. Mrs. Lee is quite ill

Rev. D. J. Lee Sept 23, Sellon

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Oberlin Sept 26 1856

Mr Whipple, Corresponding Secretary &c

Dear Sir I am probably as well acquainted with Mrs Mair as any one in Oberlin. And my appreciation of her worth is such as impells me to write a few lines

Much might be said of Mrs Mrs qualifications for the particular field of labour to which she is called not only as a teacher in many branches of learning, but as a matron to enforce good habits, & especially as a christian to lead to Christ. She is mature in years and in experience far beyond her years. She has had severe discipline and has greatly profited by it. She is a woman of good talents and possesses much energy and decision of character. I am not afraid that you will form to high an estimate of her. And what I consider of much importance, I know of no drawback, as a labourer in that mission. Her judgement & good sense superior. I think she lives wholly devoted to God. Dear precious woman, May her life long be spared.

Yours respectfully in love for the mission
Lucretia W. Merrill

Lucretia V. Merrill
Oberlin, O.
Sept 2 1856

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Mr. D. W. Burton
Burlington, Iowa
Sept 26, 1850

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Burlington Iowa, Sept 26/57

Dear Brother Whipple.

Your note of the 16th was received on Tuesday of this week. I rejoice in the prospect of soon returning to my field of labor. My health is still improving, and I have no doubt that it will be as well for me to return this fall, as to remain till next spring. I have made arrangements to invest my funds in a small piece of land in Danville 18 3/4 acres of very pretty land, joining the village, and 3/4 of a mile from the R. R. Depot for 665 dollars, which will take nearly all the funds that I have. I thought it would be better for me to do so, than to let it remain in notes on interest. I expect to start on my journey East, on the 10th of October but will visit with my friends in Ill. till I hear from you, and know the time that you wish to have me be in New York. I shall need funds to defray my expences, and wish you to send a draft for say 75 dollars, to Mendon, Adams County Ill. to the care of Lysander A. Weed. It is possible that I shall

collect some here & in the way, but I would not like to depend upon that, as I dont Sabby begin palaver so well as some. Mrs Burton & myself have just returned from a visit to Galesburg on Miss McCartney's account. She has many warm friends there, and is remembered with deep interest. The money ($17.90) from Plymouth was for the Richmond Estate, church collection, per Deacon N. F. Burton.

I was mistaken when I wrote you of the time those books were sent to Mr Nathan, I am pretty sure that they were sent two years ago this fall, by the Marquis of Bedelbain, Mr Huddles vessel, and that they were purchased of C. Shepard. I will take charge of the boys, with pleasure, if the Com- think it is best to send them back, and I think that it is the best that can be done with Charles Jones, but perhaps it would be best to let Thomas Tucker remain with Br Thompson, if he wishes it.

Please write me at Mendon whether I can have time to stop in Ohio to visit Bro Officer, Kumler & C. I will do as you think best. I hope you will find a minister to send with us to Good Hope.

Mrs Burton is quite well, and ready and willing to return whenever the Com. think it is best.

Please give our regards to all at the rooms,

Yours very truly — D. W. Burton

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Rooms of the American Missionary Association.

48 Beekman-Street.

New-York 185

Fulton St Sept 15 60

G. T. says —

of Thomas, the Gazette. G. T. called on his uncle Wm. Tucker & got his permission. Saw ~~his~~ Thomas & mother & got her permission. His name was registered at Fulton St. & ~~he left~~ the Police Court. Had the governor's permission in writing & was left with the Police Court. His name is on the articles & is to avoid difficulty in NY.

Charles Jones. Was in Fulton Street when W. was going to US. he expressed a wish to go. He was entered as a sailor. His name is on the articles.

Charles told by both the Police judges that he could go where he pleased. (McCormack & Armstrong).

The relations made by Geo. about removing the kanaweder beans. They are couple of bone dry Niggers. Kennedy & Kennedy the house made with regards Thomas because the slaves were removed.

Memo
Conversation
with Thompson
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26 Sept '56

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Measurement & Order for Sch Geo. H. Tournal u/c from John Ezzwellen 28 Oct 1866

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28 Oct Know to the Ezzwellen that I will pay his dft at sight for same with Interest

Measurement of 63 Packages of goods marked and numbered as under, shipped in the Schooner Geo. H. Townsend Capt. Kelsyn and consigned to John Ezzidis Agent for Mendi Mission by Lewis Tappan.

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John Egidio Cay
Agent for Meridi Mission

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(Signed) Allan Walker

Freetown
1st September 1856

Dr. D. J. Lee G. H. M. — L. I. Mis.
Sept 29/56 Sept. 29th 1856

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Plantain

Dear Bro. Whipple I enclose this note before I send the letters to town. I have the pleasure to state that we are in tolerable health this morning. Mrs McIntosh is up again, no telling how long she will remain so. Mrs Lee is improving in health. I am gaining in strength, so much so that I was able to preach yesterday twice and attend to my class in Sabbath school. The weather is very unsettled, much rain and cold winds. Mr. Coulter is getting ready to go to Plantain Islands early in October to measure off land for our Mission. He is very anxious to have a station there. I think that the amt. to purchase the land & build a good house would not exceed $1500 or $2000 complete in every respect, perhaps not so much, as I have never had

an estimate of the cost of any one of the buildings in the mission.

Mr. Brooks has not yet returned from town, but is expected back on Saturday Oct. 4th

Yours in Christ

David J. Lee

P. S. I am not surprised at your discouragement in the outlay of money for this mission, but let me tell you the whole cause is in not having opened new stations more rapidly, & allowing such enormous expenditure & waste upon the two or three that are open.

D. J. Lee

Freetown Sierra Leone
29 Sept. 1856

Lewis Tappan Esq.

My dear Sir.

I have this day settled with a act. with John Eggidio Esq. and given him a set of Bills on you for four Hundred & one Dollars and twenty-eight & a half cents payable at thirty days sight.

We shall not draw further on you untill such times as you shall have settled the question of the manner & amount, we shall be allowed to draw & we are advised of the same.

You will please pay those bills in such way, as to avoid the necessity of Mr. Eggidio laying out of the use of his money for three months as usual.

You will see by the inclosed act. current, what we have had of Mr. Eggidio

I am, My dear Sir.
Your obliged & obt. Servt.
John S. Brooks.

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✓ John S. Brooks via London
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29 Sept. 1856

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Lewis Tappan Esq.

My dear Sir

I have been in the Colony now three days & settle with Mr. Eggidio & pay him off with bills on you which I have done, the amount of which any for what you will see by the bills inclosed. I also send you our Acct. Cur. with Mr. Nathan since Mr Burton left to July 1st since which we have taken about £20, a part of which we have paid, & hope to pay more soon. We hope to pay all of Mr. Nathans Bills by disposing of Mission property now useless on our hands. Smiths tools, Cot-gin, wagon, horse, cows, sheep, wares &c, &c, & one or two canoes.

Mr. Eggidio complains bitterly of the way he has been treated by us. He says he was first promised when he took the agency all our custom & bills on you in advance so he should not lay out of the use of his money, & he was to do our business without charge. Since then he has had no bills drawn till the amount was well nigh taken up. That lately our business has been paying out cash on his part which he has allowed us to draw even 4 and 6 months before he could convert our bills into cash. That we have done all our trading with Nathan & others. He was then promised the salary of a writer in his office to remunerate him for his services but that has since been withdrawn, without a "thank you" for all he has done. I have proposed, without any authority however, that he do our business altogether pay him 5 pct. for all he purchases for us & all orders he pays for us, & we give him a certain percentage for the transhipment of goods & pay him in Bills

payable in cash at thirty days sight. And that these bills be drawn as often as the Acct shall run up to £100. It would be well if I may be allowed to suggest for you to draft for a letter of instruction to the Mission agent. Such an agreement with the Missions Agent and the colony as you could sanction & let that be a standing one. if otherwise it will be changed as often as our Missionaries change.

You in your letter to Dr Lee ask him to give you a list of the goods we must to have expenses, as you can furnish them better & cheaper than we can get them in the colony. but I am sorry that we do not think alike, but it grieves me that your Missionaries are expected to be come importing merchants & factors to save expenses by gain in barter & trade. For my own part I have been a slave to this system too long. I know that I am but one & a small one, I have acknowledged this long season of silence on this subject for the last five years. But dont be least daunted such mingling of money making & Christian Missionary warfare lest he be grieved who hath chosen us to be soldiers.

It seems to me that you ought to give us instructions in the matter of conducting the business of the Mission which all your Missionaries before coming here can subscribe to or let each Missionary do as he chooses. preach on sunday & keep store the rest of the time, or preach all of the time. & pay for all he wants in cash or orders on a factory. Even at Bonny I can get all the supplies I want for cash & in most instances the people would be better pleased with cash than goods. then why have a store. I see no just call for it. & I think it is a clog to the gospel.

Answer this soon

Yours Truly

Dear Brother Whipple. I am about returning to the Mission after a stay in town of three full days. But such feelings as I have in turning homward I dare not communicate. Home should be a place of all others one would delight to see, I have known what such a home was, I have felt that sweet joy awakened by the sight of home after many a short absence. But to dread the sight of that place called home. How can I speak it, when I love so many there, but it is so. I really dread to enter Good Hope house. I have thought that I would make but a short stay there & go up the Bronx, I am not sure that I shall do so. There is one thing which has prevented me & is now holding me back from this, that is the necessity of taking Mrs. Jeffs & Miss McIntosh with me or see them return at once to America. There is only one condition that can justify my taking them up the Bronx & that is that one of them become my wife. This I confess to you is rather a hard condition, though I might never regret my might & should doubtless be happy in taking such a step it is not my choice. I am for liberia so long as I can live here. I would not knowingly place myself in circumstances which might result in turning me away from here. If I should again marry I shall rather choose such an alliance as would bind me here rather than drive me away. Pardon me dear brother I did not when I commenced, intend to be so free. My thoughts will out when I write to you. Don't blame me though for anything one foolish. I acknowledge that I am [illegible] as to allow such things to trouble me.

I need not ask what has been [illegible] about the Mission you have quite enough for once.

The bearer of these letters you will doubtless see, Capt. Brown & Mr. McClure. The "Estelle" will return soon & Capt. Brown says he will bring any parcels you wish to send us free.

A. M. E. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-2425
FISK UNIV.

The "Estello" would be a fine vessell to send out our Mission
Aries on - & Capt Brown or Mr Mc Clure would be fitted &
obliging to a company.

Accept my thanks for Ford on Asiatic fevers & Mills'
Hygiene. Fords observations on the causes - stages - types of fever &
most of his appendix are good but that part which refers to treatment
I have no confidence in. I had a fever take Arsenic as quinine
I believe that the fever will so depress the nervous system as to
prevent other parts of the body by sympathizing with a congested part, but that
it will cure is quite another thing. I have seen too much of this
depressing system. I like the Thompsonian system but a
little better. That seems to be but little better than this principle
live as you like for we can unload the system when we choose.
This tapping nature will tell in a little time.

I wrote you in a letter dated Freetown Oct. 24, 1855
forwarded by Dr. Cole, that I wanted you to send 150 copies of Childs & Pepper
published by the Am. Tract. Soc. to the Rev. Mr. Teal, Wesleyan Mission
House Freetown to the care of John Egidius Esq. & 7 copy of Temple
Melodies. large copy for Rev. J. Beale. with bills of lading to be paid on
delivery - to Mr Egidius but have heard nothing from them - Mr Hall
feels quite disappointed - write you send at once.
I fear you did not get the letter expected to plead with me.
It has been sickly in Freetown this rainy -
season.

Yours in haste
Unworthy yours
J. C. Brooks

Rev. J. C. Brooks
Sept 1856
Ans Nov.

Mrs Jo M. P. Bascomb
Oberlin Ohio
Oct 2/56

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F-2426
FISK UNIV.

Oberlin, Oct. 2, 1856.

Dear Br. Whipple,

As your Committee wish letters of information concerning the character and qualifications of Mr. and Mrs. Nair, I volunteer a few lines respecting the latter, as she has been a pupil of mine several terms. She is to me a very interesting woman. Her intellect is clear, vigorous & active – her mind well balanced, notwithstanding her ardent, enthusiastic temperament. I have often remarked her good common sense, ready perception, & just discrimination.

In her moral qualities she certainly excels. Her "simplicity and godly sincerity" cannot but be seen by all. A great heart, full of love and sympathy for a world

lying in wickedness, is clearly exhibited in her every day walk and conversation.

My impression is, that she possesses a good physical constitution, which is still unimpaired, but I have never made any enquiries on this point.

So far as I know, she has ever had the cordial good will and confidence of all who know her. If she can go to Africa, and live there, she would, I think, be an invaluable acquisition to your Mission. She could not teach the sable sons and daughters of Africa without gaining their hearts, & I trust, would win them to Christ.

Yours as ever —

M. P. Dascomb.

I have been requested to express my opinion concerning the qualifications of brother and sister Maire for missionaries to Africa to brother Stubble

I think they are both conscientious good christians the great inquiry with them being how they can do the most good. I think she would be a good teacher but he would be so hard of hearing that would disqualify him for that. He is a faithful man but a moderate worker Patient and enduring but not very energetic. I think would work well with others but I guess not a good foreman On the whole I should think they would be if it was their desire to go I mean if they have a heart for the work I should bid them God speed and let them go

I great hasty

Yours in christian affection

Alfred Beecher

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. 77-7427
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Alfred Beecher
Oberlin Ohio
P. 5 Oct 1866

Gen. McClellan's

Alfred Beecher
Oberlin, O.
8 Oct. 1866
with $206 to
be endorsed on
his note to the
Aetna.

ackd by L. T.

Show letter to Mr Whittlesey

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F-1428
FISK UNIV.

80 Bread St. Hill
London, Oct. 9th 1856

Lewis Tappan Esqr
Sir

We enclose herewith a Bill drawn by Mr John Exridis upon you, in our favor, for £200, as this Draft is payable at sight of course we expect you will forward us per return Mail, a Draft for the same amount also payable at sight

We remain
Yours obedy
Thos Morgan & Son

Thos. Morgan Esqr
4 Oct '56
enclosing Exchequer bill
£200

28 Oct
Wrote to T. M. Esqr
L. B.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. E-2429
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Station
Oct 9th 1856

Mr Whipple,

Dear Sir —

We are truly in the midst of affliction & we must appeal to you, however painful it may be. Dr Lee conducts himself in such a manner as to render it almost unendurable to remain at a station where he is. His disposition is exceedingly impulsive & seemingly uncontrolled, his temper hasty & upon entirely unchecked & if I mistake not there is a little of a tyrannical spirit about him. So much so that without consultation he says things shall & shall not be so. Dear Brother I do not believe that any one could labor harmoniously with him. As physicians I like

them both, but as to anything farther I say nothing. His conduct towards me in Freetown, that is in the use of his abusive tongue & towards my associates here has destroyed my confidence in him as a minister of the Blessed Gospel & I cannot listen to one, where there is no confidence reposed. I am told that from the first week of our landing on african shores they began to speak against me & they have ever since tried to crush me, but these personal injuries I cheerfully forgive & pray God that he may forgive them. But those I now feel are of a different nature. Let them speak evil of me to my face or in my absence, but to speak harshly about or to my associates without reason I feel it very keenly. Before their return from town our Good Hope home was a happy one, but alas, those sunny hours too soon glided away & we

were left not as a social family circle
but more as isolated beings. yet seems to
the same in every place & at every time. On the
De return the business was placed as he
Boston had previously arranged in his
hands. It was not long before it became
evident that neither the station could
prosper or any one live in peace, there-
fore the Missionaries, viz. Mr Brooks, Mrs
Lefft & myself signed and presented
a paper to them requesting them to with-
draw their authority from this Station.
They did so & Mr Brooks took it into
his hands again. He has spent the rainy
season with us, making many a sad
hour cheerful & pleasant. Next week he
leaves us for Ko-Jaspens, after having born
most nobly & Christ like insult - after in-
sult from the Ds, until he at last bite
the rock is worn by a constant dropping
feels that he can endure it no longer.
But when he is gone what our destiny is to
be we know not. However we shall endeavor

Miss McBurton

Oct 9, 1856

to stay as long as we think duty to God, ourselves & the mission demands it, trusting in God for protection & consolation; but when we can no longer hear what may be said or done, our plan is if there be no redemption from home to board in Freetown until we hear direct from you. This step however we do not wish to take as it will involve the mission in more expense. But what else can we do? we can hardly bear up now. No, we cannot live so; there must be a change or else our hundred souls will be in three weak bodies into the grave. We beg the Com. to consider well this matter & pass not lightly over it. because it is more sensibly affecting our mission.

Mr Burton gave us some reason to hope for his return this autumn. If he does come we shall have a pleasant home once more. Can you not urge his return I am well aware these tidings will be a grief to you all, "But Christ says bear ye one another's burden" Yours in affliction

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-2430
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Oct
10th 1856

Mr Whipple

Kind friend,

I believe these are the first lines that I have penned y, which has not grown out of neglect or indifference to you, but out of the knoledge I had of your aversion to hearing unpleasant news, and as I have had nothing of a pleasant character to communicate I have left it to my husband to inform you of business matters, Our Mission is as we found it in a state of domestic turmoil, and will continue to be till each family has its own private domestic arrangements and a salary to provide for and meet its own expenses, The first thing is, we are all thrown together as strangers, our syste-

Mrs M. C. Lee

Oct 10/36

pathies are enlisted for, and with each other, and the loss of society brings about unavoidably a familiar sociability be-fore we have time to place an estimate on their worth or merit, by and by, test occasions arise, we then find out what we all knew in the first inst but did not practice from the reasons above stated, that water and oil will not unite, though one may be good and the other impure or both good or bad, this it has been the case here and will always be under the present policy, and most of the trouble and dissensions here have grown out of the single ladies that have been sent here, who instead of fulfilling their Mission have turned their attention to gossiping and husband seeking to the annoyance of the family they might be in,

from this I exclude Miss Moore & Mrs. Brooks whose engagement was formed at home and whose object was to remain here for life, I disapprove of single women living here, it is no place for them, and if they can and do marry here suitable persons no harm done, but as to the unnecessary and disgusting practices indulged in by a certain class it is sinful any where, much more in a missionary field. With these remarks I will give you a hint, should Mr Tefft's brother offer his services to you to come here, test his motive and learn how long he intends to remain, as I have learned that his object in coming was to marry Mrs Tefft and take her home, I know that she has been making her arrangements to go home in the spring, which she has suddenly dropped, but may resume them again and leave before spring as Mr Brooks is going up the Boom to remain in a few days and she will have no one to prank

with, these things are true Mr Whipple but very painful and to me more than disgusting and we have put a positive veto on them, if Mr Brooks wants either of those ladies it is his privilege to marry, but while they lead him about to the neglect of his business and the bad influence it exerts over the family he tells my husband that he would sooner marry a native of the coast than either of them, My kind regards to Miss Dodge and Mrs Whipple

Yrs in Christian bonds, M. O. Lee

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-2131
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Mission
Platore
Oct. 10th 1856

Rev. George Whipple
Cor. Sec. A. M. A.

Dear Bro.

I & Mrs. McIntosh were both taken sick on the day, on which I wrote my last note. She with chills and fever: I with an intermittent form of diarrhoea & vomiting, it being very bad every alternate day. I had no pain whatever and considerable fever - with the blessing of God and our reliable remedies we are both about again. I am not near so weak and prostrated as I usually am after an attack of sickness. Mrs McI. looks very badly indeed - and is not able to do anything scarcely. She has only been in school about ten days during the last 3 months. Her last attack was brought about by sitting down on the wet floor, scrubbing! I really pity her.

I have again resumed my charge of this station, and will retain it until further directions are received from you. Mr. Brooks returns to Mro Taffan as soon as possiable. Mrs. Tefft & Miss Mc. I remain, until further orders from you.

I shall shortly visit Plantains but having charge here now I shall not be able to do much there. But I think it best to take possession.

My error in refference to the sale of goods here, to pay the protested bill arose from ignorence of what Mrs. Taffan wrote to Mr. Eggidio. We have very much reduceded excess in expenditures, living &c. Pillage & Robbery are quite common at pressent among the different stores in Sherbro, by the natives & Kroo men. A large robbery case is just being tried before the Consul. We are careful of the store.

We are anxiously awaiting reinforcements of the right kind of Missionaries. If you feel at liberty to do so, I would recommend you to write to a young man, an intimate

friend and acquaintance of mine by the name of Thos. Wilsee, care of Wm. Wilson Gas Office. Cincinnati Ohio. He lately wrote me a long letter, is desirous to be a missionary, but is so strong a methodist that his attention would not be directed to the A. M. A. unless it seems an opening of Providence to him. He is a very pious, energetic, prudent and persevering young man, with a good physical constitution and some talents, a good speaker, preaches Christ because he has his love burning, overflowing, & actuating his heart. Get him if you can. He may not write to you - make the advance -

I understand a good work is going on at Mo-Lappan - I have also a good item from Kau-Mendi - I sometime ago reared the people, when their houses became to old to live in & had to be torn down, not to build others but to go to live at some other place - also at Mo Coba the Littletown on ~~the latter~~ mission lands below the mission a short distance contrary to my order they are building quite a number of houses in the latter place and

2. Leaving the town about the mission.
I shall look on and say nothing, until
Alexander Posey & some other influential
men remove there, then is our chance to
get rid of that soul worrying fallance. Governing
the natives. I shall call them together tell
them they have forfeited our protection by
disobeying our laws, and now they must
pay me fine of 100 bars - for which I will
give them a quit claim deed for the town
and about 1/3 of the mission land that
they may live and then throw them on
our resources. And let it be known that
we do not govern them any longer. By this
means we can relieve ourselves of that
burden. To encourage them to go there would
be to promise them protection & to interfere
now with their doing so would perhaps pre-
vent it. I think it quite providential as
that one thing has given me more trouble
that any thing else in the station. I often con-
ferred with Mr. Brooks & his plan was to return
them (years ago) from slavery when taken, have all
the trouble of protecting them & then let them
build idol houses and make country fashion
have many wives & slaves, just as they pleased
I would not allow it and necessarily put the
awkward position I was in. no help from my
associate and the host against me - now de-
-liverance is at hand - Thank God.

Yours faithfully
L. S. Ross

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. A-2432
FISK UNIV.

Mr. Whipple — Please send me a Powder Flask for Colts Revolver Pocket Pistol, 5 in. Barrel — Send it without fail, even if I pay for it. You can send the bill and I will repay it. I very much need it. Please send me also several first rate Pocket Knives & I will pay for them.

Good Hope Oct. 10th 56

Yours &c
David J. Lee

Dr. J. Lee
Oct 10/58

Mr. D. W. Burton
Plymouth Vt
Oct 13/66

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. EI-2455
FISK UNIV.

Plymouth Ill Oct 18/54

Dear brother Whipple.

We are here with my friends, and have had a very pleasant family visit. All of the family have been together. We go to Quincy day after tomorrow, and hope to get word from you while we are there. We have made arrangements to go East as soon as we get word from you, that you are ready for us. I had a present of a good tool chest at Burlington for one of my Carpenters at Good Hope, and filled it with our things, and forwarded it last week to New York to your care, you will please take care of it for me. Send letters to Mendon till I direct different. My health is excellent, Mrs Burton well.

Yours very truly D. W. Burton,

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-2134
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope M. Works.
Sherbro Island, 16 Sep 1866.

My dear Brother Whipple —

Your late letters to Dr. Lee have been received for which we all feel thankful & some what relieved. We have been anxious to know your mind on some most important points, which you handle with freedom & decision. You are now where you was nearly 10 years ago when you wrote to Mr. Garnett on the subject of narrowing down our labours to the Sarions Com Mission, I hope you will stand to this decision long enough to have it accomplished. Dr. Lee & myself had been on the narrowing down plan before the receipt of yours.

You seem to be wonderfully surprized at our expences and that you have not been informed of mies appropriated funds, I am surprized that you regard your self so in the dark with all the communications from the Mission you have had, Mr. Thompsons reports, Mr. Benton reports & My own dark as they have been are full of information on the very questions about which you seem to be so much in the shade. What do you suppose must be the result of a School of near 100 pupils in an establishment that constantly employs from 30 to 40 people on hire, managed by one who has been compelled to do the "work of three men", preaching from 5 to 7 times a week. What but expences, waste, and mies appropriation? What results you expect from a policy which requires at least 25 pupils at a Station, and allows those who chose to take all they wish into such schools, employ as many men women & children as may apply for work, but mine to the cause of Christ

What can you expect without system, or order, without union, or concert, without Government, or responsibility but misappropriated time & money? What can you expect from a system of self support based on Mission factories, farms & work Shops - only half attended to, on account of unfitness on the part of your agents & the incongruity of such calling & the Ministry, but now to the grounds of the association. I think there has been but a few letters written you from your Mission that has not contained more or less information on these very points you have reference, I have written as plainly on these points as Dr. Lee had though I have not used so much tartar & castic, for I though your judgment was not so deceived as to need those last sensibles to arouse them. When I was in America I said all I though prudent on account of your very strong preference to Mr. Thompsons views, untill you requested me to have my opinions on these very points & insisted on a change since my return though I have sometime spoken out, I have felt it my duty to yield & carry out your views & the opinion of a majority. I have been uneasy on account of the restraint I have laboured under, on some of these points, & could I have seen it my duty to have broken loose from this bondage I should have done so. So strong is my heart bound to this Mission & your cause that I have felt some scruples that I have offered my resignation I have dreaded the responsibilities that providence seems to impose under the present policy of the Mission.

Rest assured dear brother that so far as we understand your last letter it will be faithfully carried out. We hope with the reports of the present quarter to give you all the information you can desire. We look upon to be prepared to

Bark "Estelle" Agrosmus off Bumbatuk between Galveston & Plantons.
Since Saturday, Monday Noon - I will give you one more chapter of
sorrow & regret. you have had so much that you need one or two
more to sympathize more with us. I write in confidence & privately for
such things though you should know them, as they occur so often, should
be known to but few. A few days before I left Good Hope we had taken
three sailors into the house to doctor & care for two of whom died. I gave
my room & bed to one, when I left I gave my room key to Mrs. Tefft
begging her to air & clean the room & bed & care for & nursing my above
when I left & immediately after Mrs Tefft was busy in an other part of
the house & did not close my door immediately. Dr. Lee wishing to move
one of the sick men took him into my room where he soon after died
the body was at once taken from the house as his fever was of a malig-
nant type. & Mrs Lee & a servant began to clear the room for airing.
Mrs. Tefft joined them. When some one objected and Mrs. Tefft told
them that I had requested her to do so & had left with her the key - She was
at once charged with a lie by the Dr. & a sharp dispute ensued. Hearing
of the death of the man left behind I joined the Capt. Officers and on his bringing
them word we were ready to sail. While on shore the Dr & Mrs Tefft told me their
story, & unfortunately a dispute between them took place in my presence when
the Dr. abused Mrs. Tefft & Mrs. Tefft retorted to a degree I never thought
her capable of. Now here is just the reason why I stay at Good Hope
to keep Dr. Lee & the ladies from go——— It makes one ashamed to say it
but it is so. For one I am tired and ashamed of my position, not as
peacemaker, but between two such elements. Why Dr. Lee should be so tart
so cynical, so repulsive, so selfish I know not. Why the ladies should
be so easily affected, so awake to an injury I know not. I am satisfied
that the ladies would with proper treatment favour the Dr's plans & labor
earnestly & cheerfully with him. If you do not understand this you are just where I am.

Dr. Lee does not believe in "Woman's rights", as some understand the
yet he treats woman as if she was a blunt in her feelings. His vulgar &
rough in manner as a Sailor. At least to I seems to me, Why is it so I
know not. Why religion does not mellow down his peculiar spirit is a
Mystery. Why it does not make him gentle, meek, tender, lovely I will
not allow myself to determine. I know that grace has a tending to
mellow down my naturally yielding disposition more & more. How
far I ought to restrain ~~the~~ it I know not. How far I should show sympathy
for those who have my sympathy I know not. I want to talk. I want
to write but I dare not for fear I will weaken the chain or behave
them. O Pray for us do.

I have a strong inclination to take Mrs. Jeffs & Miss. Macintosh
up the River & let the Dr. have Good Hope without any restraint
I think he would do more & better to be alone. Yet ho can I make
such a sacrifice? Without a wife & these two females associated
with me will expose me & them to severe cases, not the most pleasant
besides the cause would be exposed, it would not be "avoiding the appear-
ance of evil" but assuming such an appearance, before this people.
This train of thought has led me to consider, of marrying one of them, this would
not be my choice under different circumstances. I hope when I return I
may find things more favorable than I fear so that I may be saved any
change, but if not I shall feel it duty to do something.

Dear brother, Am I too free in communicating these facts of real
life here? Is it not my duty to do so? If not tell me & I will [illegible] my self the
pleasure of letting them alone.

I wrote to you two letters on the 29 Apr. on May 2 & 6th [illegible]
any 1st. I think you have not received all of them.

Am on my way to town to settle the protest this bill Palaver
by some means if possible. The "Estelle" is now waiting to depart
let us hear from you as fully as might or we may go in confidence

Ever your affectionate
John Brooks

Geo. J. S. Brooks
Sept 15
1856

The things you sent me were good pts & very acceptable. I
thank you much.

A. A. ARCHIVES
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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-7435
FISK UNIV.

Broom Falls, Boompey, W. A.
McLaffan House Oct. 28. 1860

My dear Mrs. Tefft

You may have thought it strange that I should have left Good Hope with the show of so little feeling & sympathy for you and Miss McIntosh in the peculiarly trying circumstances in which you are placed, I have reasons which I esteemed of sufficient weight to not only justify such a carriage, but rendered almost necessary that it should be so, though doing violence, at the same time to the many impulses of a brothers heart. Reason under the influence of burning indignation, a keen sense of most cruel wrong both to myself and the ladies in the Good Hope Mission family and a strong desire to give no occasion for evil thinking, led me to treat you & your associates with seeming indifference.

During the seven years I have been in this Mission I have not been aware of having in a single instance given the slightest ground for evil suspicions until I was first charged with keeping a "Nigger wench" & the house of being a "Whore house" (excuse these unsightly words.) These cruel slabs were numbered with the past, when I was next accused of "lewd & immoral conduct towards you & Miss McIntosh which would not be tolerated in a respectable house of ill fame; the times instanced were those few times we sat together in the Childrens dining Hall after prayers. This was a blow too deep & unexpected not to move me, the effect was so marked as to call out a vindication some like this. It was not said that there had been anything criminal between us or any wrong intention! A vindication either without a difference, or that laid open the venom of the Christ in us has served a light which it could well appear within I was charged with crime and wickedness or the attempt to modify was the effect of a conscience ill at ease for the murder of a brothers reputation. Say nothing of the wrong done to others named in the matter,

Under these circumstances what could one expect of me but strange conduct. My whole strength and all I could obtain was necessary to control my feelings so as to keep from exertions of what some talent call independence of character & frankness. What an abuse to misuse such words to make of them a covering for quarrels & bitter words. Like Adams fig leaves they betray a guilty conscience. If it does not require decision of character a fixed purpose to hold the natural disposition to render evil for evil, under such circumstances then I much mistake the working of mind, as well as of the affections, or feelings.

I pity you, not that I think you need meet with open frown indeed I expect you will be treated with much show of good feeling. Yet there will necessarily be much feeling not seen which will make your stay at the Lord's House anything but desirably. On this account mainly I had a desire to have you remove from G. H. to this station, besides such a removal was desirable on account of its leaving Dr. Lee the man free to effect his purposes. And he desires your removal either to this place or to America. But the unsettled state of affairs in the Brown, seemed to forbid your coming here. So far as the impropriety of the matter attest in I am almost cured of that argument. The fact that I am made the subject of the vilest slander without the merest show of guilt indeed with the show of most guarded service, makes me almost desperate & reckless as to the question of others opinions & care less of their esteem. Here I may be wrong.

I am not happy or comfortable here as I am aware I see things go to loose ends, live in the dirt, without friends or home yet I had much rather have less of these than live in strife with those I should want as dear.

Disagreeable as a long residence here may be I am resolved never to come to Good Hope till compelled by circumstances more pressing than have ever yet been present. When I look back upon the past & call to mind the part I have acted Dr. & Mrs. Lee and ask myself if this slang & slander is really their expression of kind feeling for value received I can but feel grieved.

Forgive me, I may be doing you a wrong by so free a discussion of my feelings. I do not write for sympathy or to make you feel more ill feeling than you now have, indeed I think you have too much & that you think of it too much & talk about it too much. Remember that old & good adage "The best pays the sooner & easier mended." Had I have called this to mind I should have saved you the trouble of reading all my troubles with the Dr. and now sis I not think that I owes you & Miss McIntosh some apology I would commit what I have written to the fire, I hope never again to experience it. Let it rest with the buried past. May God forgive us all, & cover our sin with the bloody mantle of Christ's spotless Righteousness. I long to be free & have others free from the body of sin, I groan being burdened but hope in Christ.

I shall be very happy to hear from you as often as you can consistently write.

Be faithful & useful out of the house, if you cannot in it. You have a large & useful field in Good Hope & the small town of Alexandria. May the Lord lead, guide & direct you prays your unworthy brother,

John S. Brooks.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
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Rev. J. S. Brooks
to Mrs Jeffs
Oct 18/86

Mrs Jeffs
Scott Hope
Shubora S Claus

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. 21131
FISK UNIV.

Mendon Oct. 22nd 1856

Dear brother Whipple

I received your note last week with the draft. Thank you for it, but I think that I have received enough to take us to New York from friends without drawing on the society. My health is excellent. I never felt better. We have visited all our friends, and are now ready to start for Africa as soon as we are needed. We will go to Plymouth in a few days, and remain till we receive word from you. We would like to go East before the weather becomes very cold, if it is your wish.

Direct your letters hereafter to Plymouth Hancock County Ill. Mrs Burton is very well.

Yours very truly — — — D. W. Burton

Mr D. W. Burton
Menelom Ill
Oct 22/56

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. II-2438
FISK UNIV.

Good Hope Mission Station
Sherbro Island W. A.
Oct. 24th 1856

Rev. George Whipple
Cor. Sec. A. M. A.

Dear Brother—

I have but little of interest or that is new to communicate at present. You will receive these letters by the hands of Mrs. Tefft & Miss McIntosh who leave in a few days. In justice I would state that the mission sustains no loss thereby. I was under the necessity of removing Miss. McIntosh from the school room, where she had placed herself in opposition to another teacher whom I had procured, and where she had not been before for several months, she being to imbecile both in body and mind to conduct it. I trust that the change from here to Freetown and the voyage across the ocean, will greatly benefit her in both body & mind - I have no doubt it will. She is to me an object of pity and the more so as she became the tool of her more cunning companion and caused much that was unpleasant in the family.

My health has not been good lately. I am quite billious at times, which together with mental trials and our very unpleasant condition (until quite lately) as a band of missionaries has preyed much upon my health and prostrated me for a time. I am up and at it again however and hope as the dry season advances to fully regain my glow of spirits. If a crop of boils is any indication of convalescence - my lame leg will insure me.

The condition of my health has prevented me from doing any itinerating as yet. I have an excellent assistant in William B. Tucker else I would be almost unable to keep up the regular apperations of the station. He teaches the school and fills the place of Chaplain when I am unable. He preaches with acceptance to the people and has a love for souls impelling him to labor faithfully for their salvation. He is the only one that I know of among our assistants who does not love money better than their labor.

I am going to have trouble again at Hau-Mendi that pest hole - I expect to be compelled to discharge Teacher & Superintendant. I have not been able to go up there for sometime; and as there is such strong inducements held out there to appropriate mission property to private use. I fear from strong indications, there has been foul play going on up there for some time. I think it best just here to give you an inventory from memory of the property up there that would be lost in case of our removal entirely from the place. There are say 6 or 8 country houses built by the mission (now fast falling into decay) that would of course be lost - The stone house or rather stone part of the house which was there, we would remove to this station. There is the childrens boarding house an immensely long house, one half of which has never been used - I have been told that it cost $1300, and was intended to hold "an innumerable company". Some of the poles of the roof and door frames are all that could be saved. Thus nearly every thing there is there, beside the amt. paid for the land would be a total loss. But what is that in comparison to the moral loss we are train those children up to meet

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Upon calm consideration my judgement would say, abandon the whole ground, but my feelings willing to that station yet. there are a few precious converts there who love the church and the preaching of Gods word; who would be thrown upon the tender mercies of the wicked world. Only 3 weeks ago one of the most consistent and devoted members of that Church paid the great debt of nature, and is now with that happy company who have passed on before. Mrs Patrick Peters has gone home to reign with Christ forever. He died away from home among heathen - but left his testimony for Jesus.
It would certainly be better for the School if it was removed; and a great saving of money to bring them down to Bendoo. I have understood that the school now numbers but 18 pupils - I left 30 there - Something wrong. It is now the 27th of Oct. & I am better in health. as soon as this company leave I will visit that place. I leave the subject for the present, and desire to call your attention to a subject mentioned in former letters i.e. Church Government. This is an auspicious time to adopt some regular form of Government for our Churches. We have gathered together a class at this station as a nucleus for a church, and as the church at Mo-Tappan will perhaps be reorganized shortly - we ought to have some system. Congregationalism though beautiful in theory - is not adapted to missionary churches among heathen or rather converts from heathenism. I am a Congregationalist - but I do not think it best to organize the Church at this station under that form of government. I prefer the government of the United Brethren in Christ to any other for our church

I am aware that such a course of policy as giving us a sectarian form of church government; would create a sensation at home. But something must be done we must have stability of character & in order to that there must be concert of action & unity of direction. I will illustrate the operation of the present plan - Bro. Brooks admits country marriage as valid - I argue, from it grows polygamy, concubinage and all the other sins of that character - therefore I will not recognize it as valid, either with the first or any other wife. He tells a church member of mine he may take a wife country fashion & if I turn him & her (they are both members at Kau Mendi) out of that church - he will take them into his - Jaffan Church. You see there is the scourge of much trouble in the very plan itself. As the mission enlarges until they are thoroughly civilized the evil must increase - The ruling spirit is with a few who manage to controll all in one way or another.

I send home the Cotton Gin, which will be of no service here for 50 years to come - there is not cotton enough raised for sale on the west coast of Africa to keep it at work one day in a year - the bug-a-bugs have commenced operations on it. I will not be able to pay the freight on it from Freetown to New York. I think it best to return it before it becomes a ruin. I will have it shipped in the same vessel with Mrs. T. & Miss R. You can doubtless sell it for something. We are at present totally without funds. and are sometimes very hard pushed to pay some outstanding debts. Should I not succeed in exchanging our goods so as to pay our debts - we will need to pay up at the 1st of January. Please give me instructions about the resignation of Mr. Brooks which takes place then. What relation is he to hold. What is to be done with Mr Jaffan? Yours Truly David J. Lee

D. J. Lee - Oct 24/50

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-2439
FISK UNIV.

Mission House Saturday Evening
Oct. 25th 1856

Mrs Jeffs I am informed that you are disposing of the furniture belonging to the Mission which you have had in use during your stay here - I must inform you that nothing of the kind is yours to dispose of. and as to paying the persons in the employ of the mission. I would respectfully inform you that that is my business. In reference to a sett of Silver ware - or a part thereof I was informed by one of the officers of the Association which is in New York that it was the property of the Mission and belonged to this station for the use of this family. You will therefore leave them, or I shall inform the Committee thereof.

Yours &c

David J. Lee for Good Hope Mission Station

P. S. A copy of this will be sent to the Com.

D. J. Lee

Dr Lee
25th Oct 56

Copy of letter to Mrs
Tuffo.

Wed 22d Dec

Mrs H. C. Locke
Good Hope
Oct 26/50

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-2440
FISK UNIV.

Shanghai October the 26th

Dear George Whipple

Suffer me to spend for these afflicted Missionaries they have suffered the most shameful abuses. The treatment they receive from the Doctor and Mrs Lee is past description. They not only spend evil and wickedly to their faces, but they slander and back bite them the worst I ever heard any one in my life I have no confidence in them as Christians they are Wolves in Sheepes Clothing

I do not think that Mrs Jeffs could live long under the present circumstances

I heard Doctor Lee say
that Miss McCurtet should
give up the School for she
had not got Sence enough to
take care of her self I also
heard the Doctor order her out
of the School Room and
While the Dare I was not in
Sight of them I am a proude
of these Songs for they are just
all the Songs I Ever heard
May the Lord
Deliver me from Sharkes
in Sheepes Clothesings

Very Harriet C Locke

Mr Please allow me to refer to
the 3 Chapter of James in this Case

I am Sir Very Respectfully
your Obedient Servant Harriet C Locke

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New York 27 October 1856

Revd. D. K. Flickinger, at West Africa. —

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27 Oct. 1856
£266.
No 2312

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-7442
FISK UNIV.

It has pleased the Lord to remove ~~away~~ from us by death, one member of the church this year. ~~He was among the happy few who still adhered to their Lord and Master, and was always regular in attending the means of grace.~~ A few weeks after his arrival here, an old complaint he had, became more and more troublesome; and finding that his physical strength was decaying, he thought it proper to remove to another place to recruit his health. He accordingly removed to a village about 9 or 10 miles from Kaw Mendi. A few weeks after, he died, bearing having borne his sufferings patiently.

A friend says of him that a few days before his death, he requested the king in whose house he was, to remove away all ~~his~~ the gree-grees and superstitions, which he had deposited in almost every part of the house; adding that as he was going to die, he wanted not like any heathenish customs and ceremonies to be observed on his account after his death. He further added that the Lord Jesus Christ had saved

his soul. Astonished at such a remark, the king said, "Is it possible that one, born in this country, should abhor its customs and practices: the white man's religion is very great." Thus wherever the Gospel seed is sown, its fruits will be seen. May the Lord bless his work in this part of his vineyard.

G. M. Jewett
Teacher
Oct. 27th 1856

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